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I JUST BURST
MY BUBBLE,
TOO!



SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG™

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I'M FACING THE
MOST HORRIBLE FATE
IN THE **UNIVERSE** --
TRAPPED WITH
THE **HEDGEHOG!**

HATE TO BURST
YOUR **BUBBLE**,
DOC, BUT YOU'RE
NOT MY DREAM
DATE EITHER!

MANAK & D'AGOSTINO

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**"DOCTOR ROBOTNIK...
FREEDOM FIGHTER!"**

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

IN "IVO ROBOTNIK, FREEDOM FIGHTER!"

PART I

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE LOOKING FOR BERRIES! THIS IS NO TIME TO DANCE!

YOU'VE GOT TO ADMIT IT, SALLY! SONIC IS REALLY DANCING UP A STORM ... A DUST STORM!



STOMP! STOMP! STOMP! STOMP!

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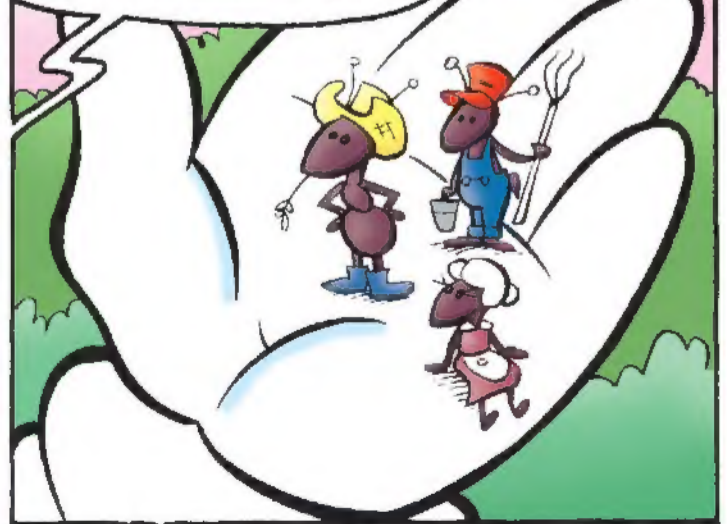
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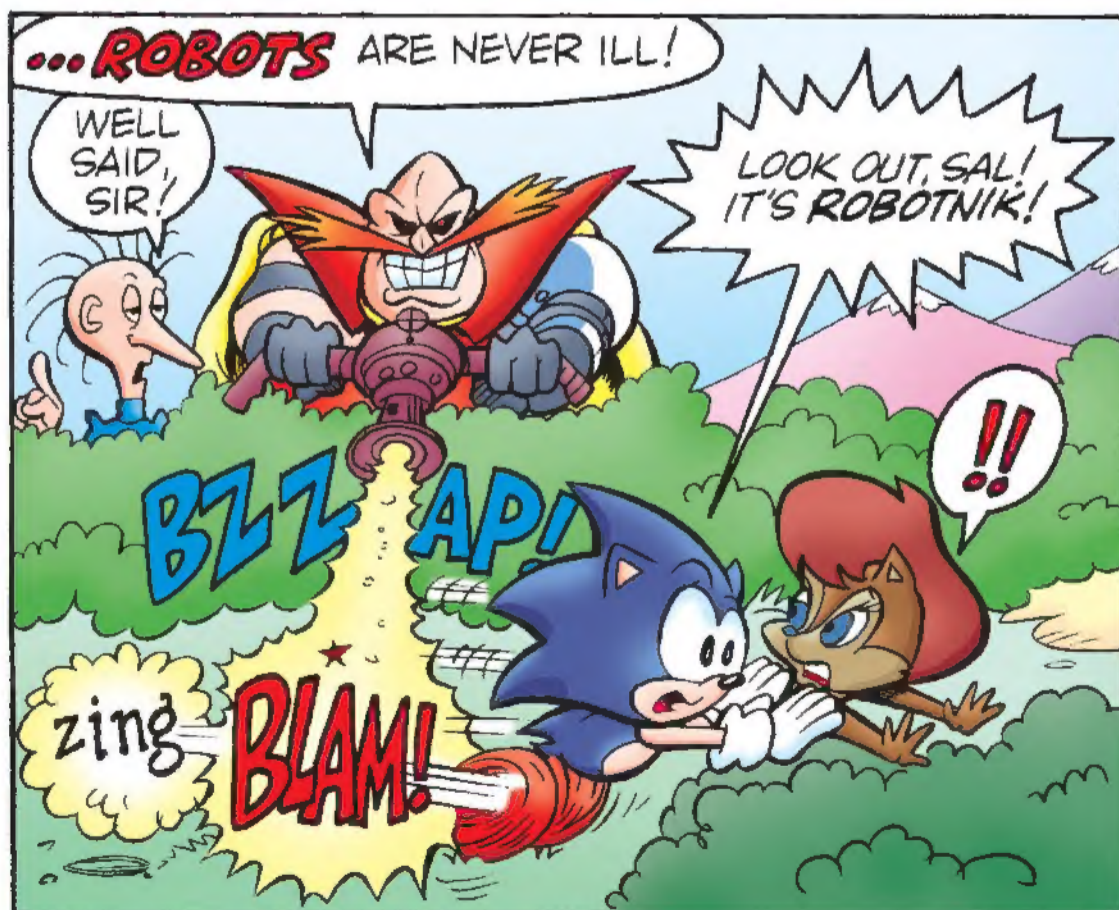
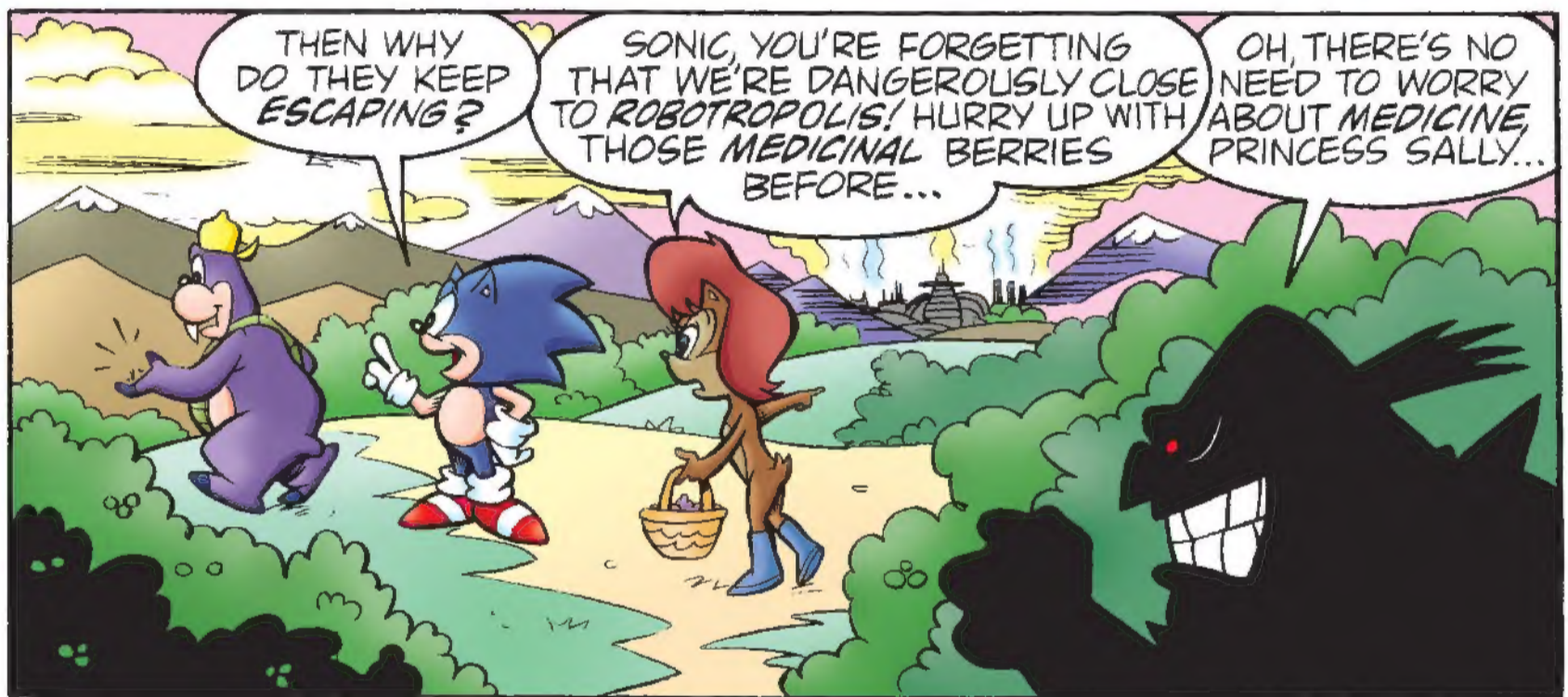
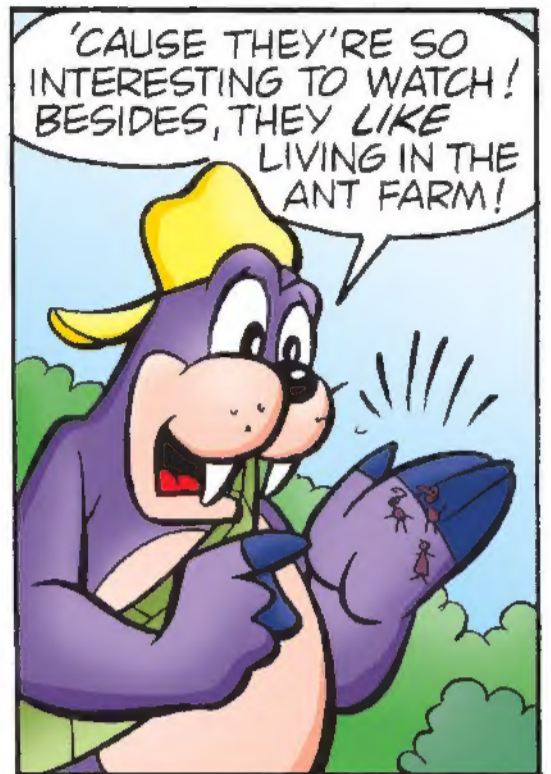
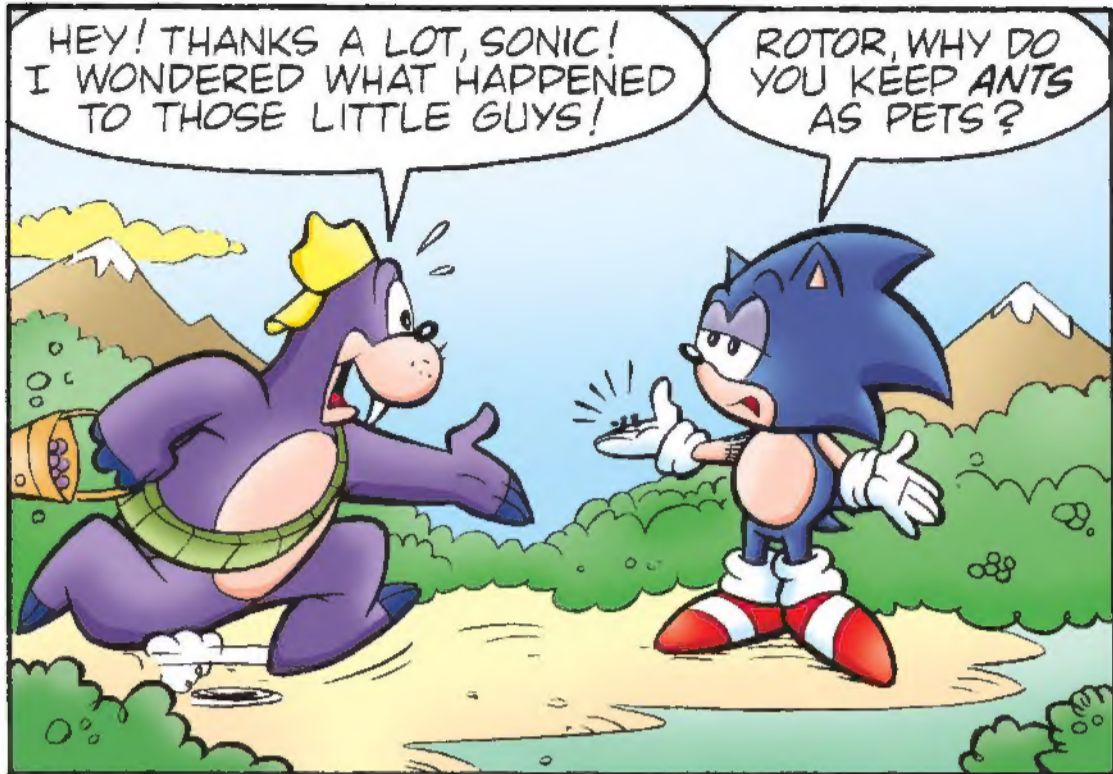


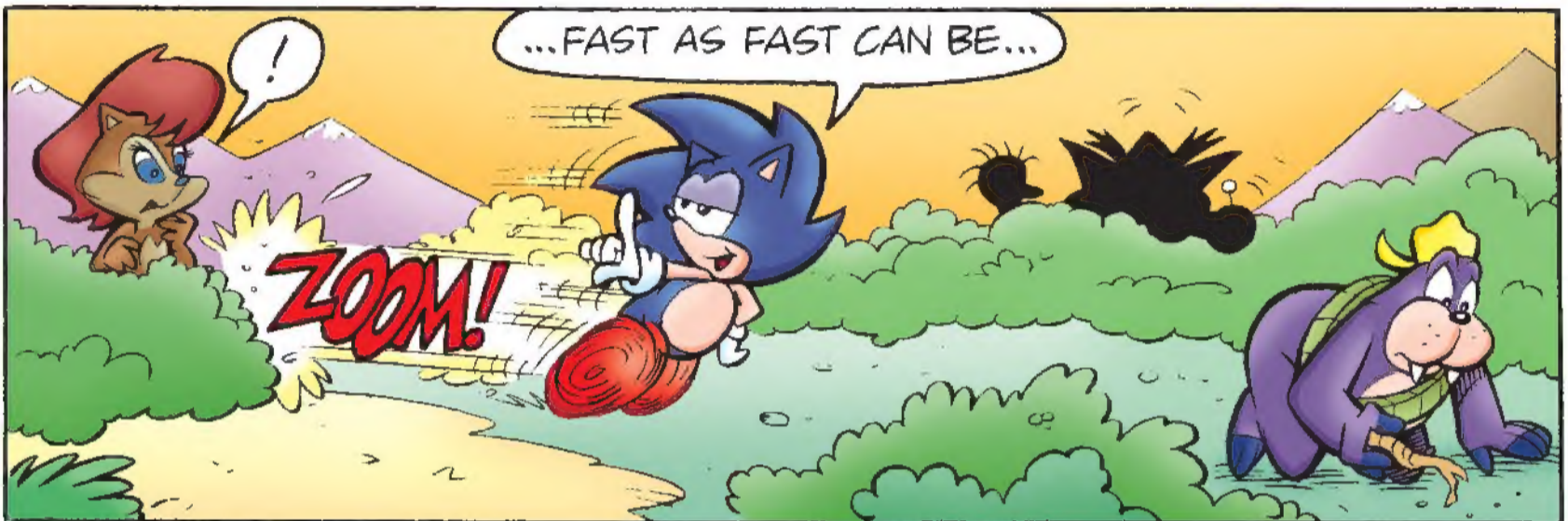
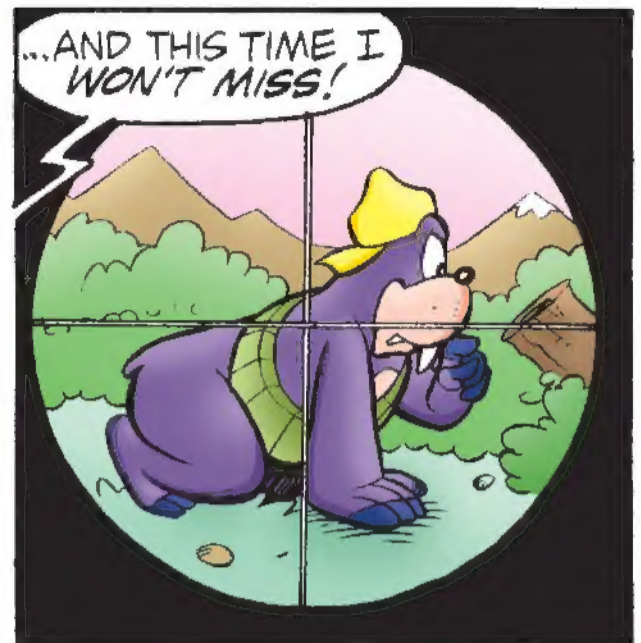
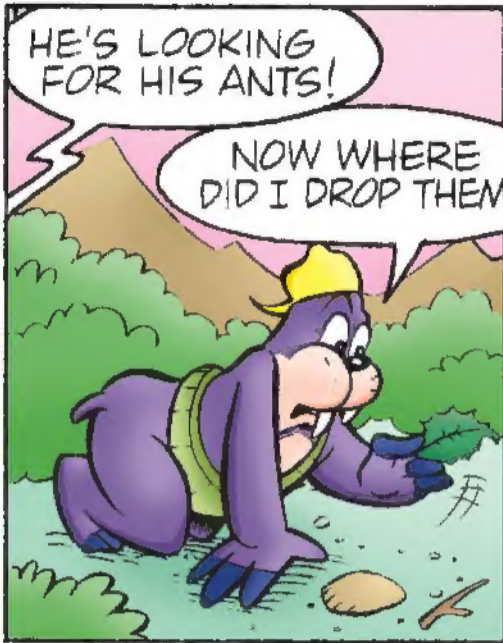
I'M NOT DANCING, DUDES! SOME ANTS GOT INTO MY SHOE AND THEY'RE ITCHING ME LIKE CRAZY!



HMPH! THEY LOOK LIKE THE MOBIAN FARMER ANTS THAT ROTOR KEEPS IN HIS ANT FARM! THEY MUST HAVE ESCAPED!







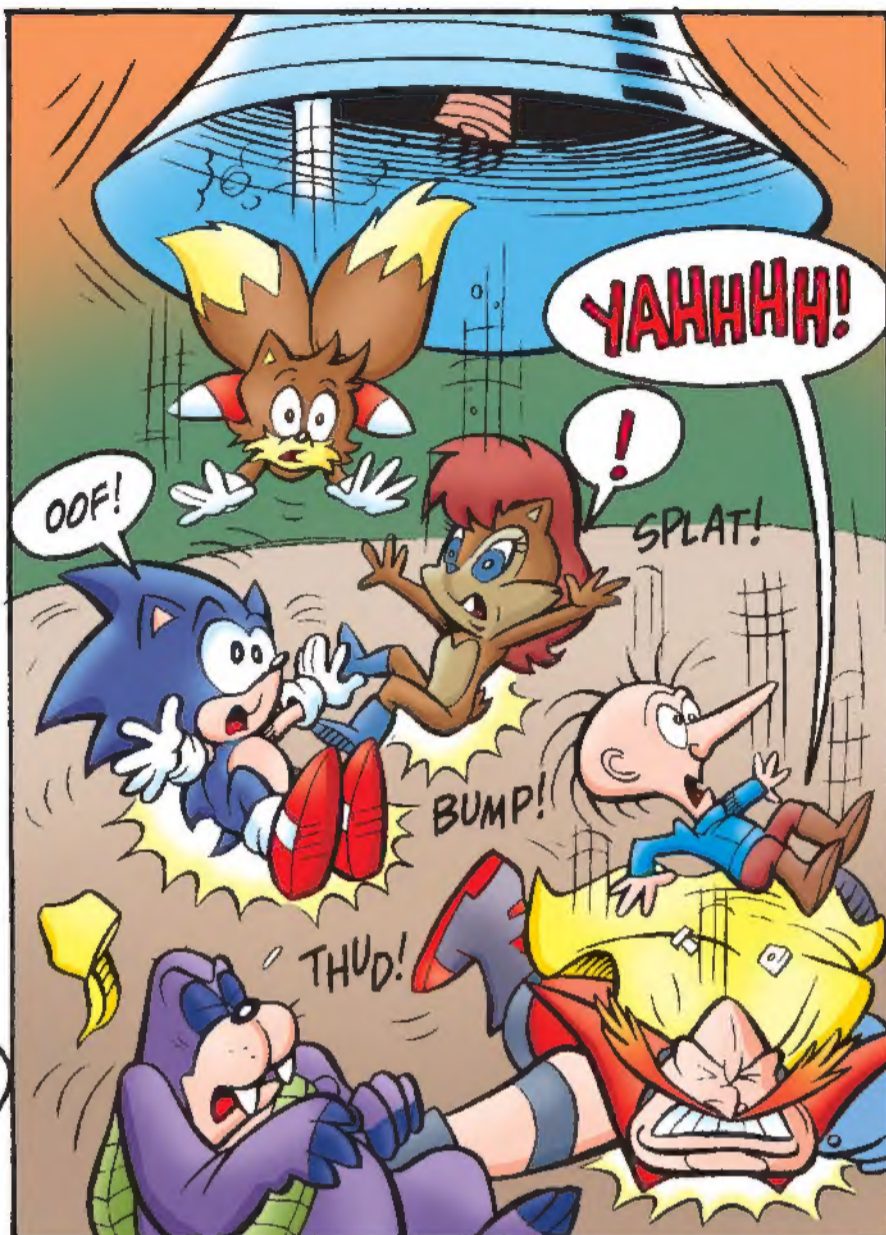


WE'RE BEING PULLED THROUGH A HUGE TUNNEL!

...OR A HUMONGOUS VACUUM CLEANER!

...OR THE SNOUT OF A GIANT ANTEATER! BUT WHO "NOSE"?

NOT FUNNY, SONIC!



OOF!

YAHHHH!

!

SPLAT!

BUMP!

THUD!

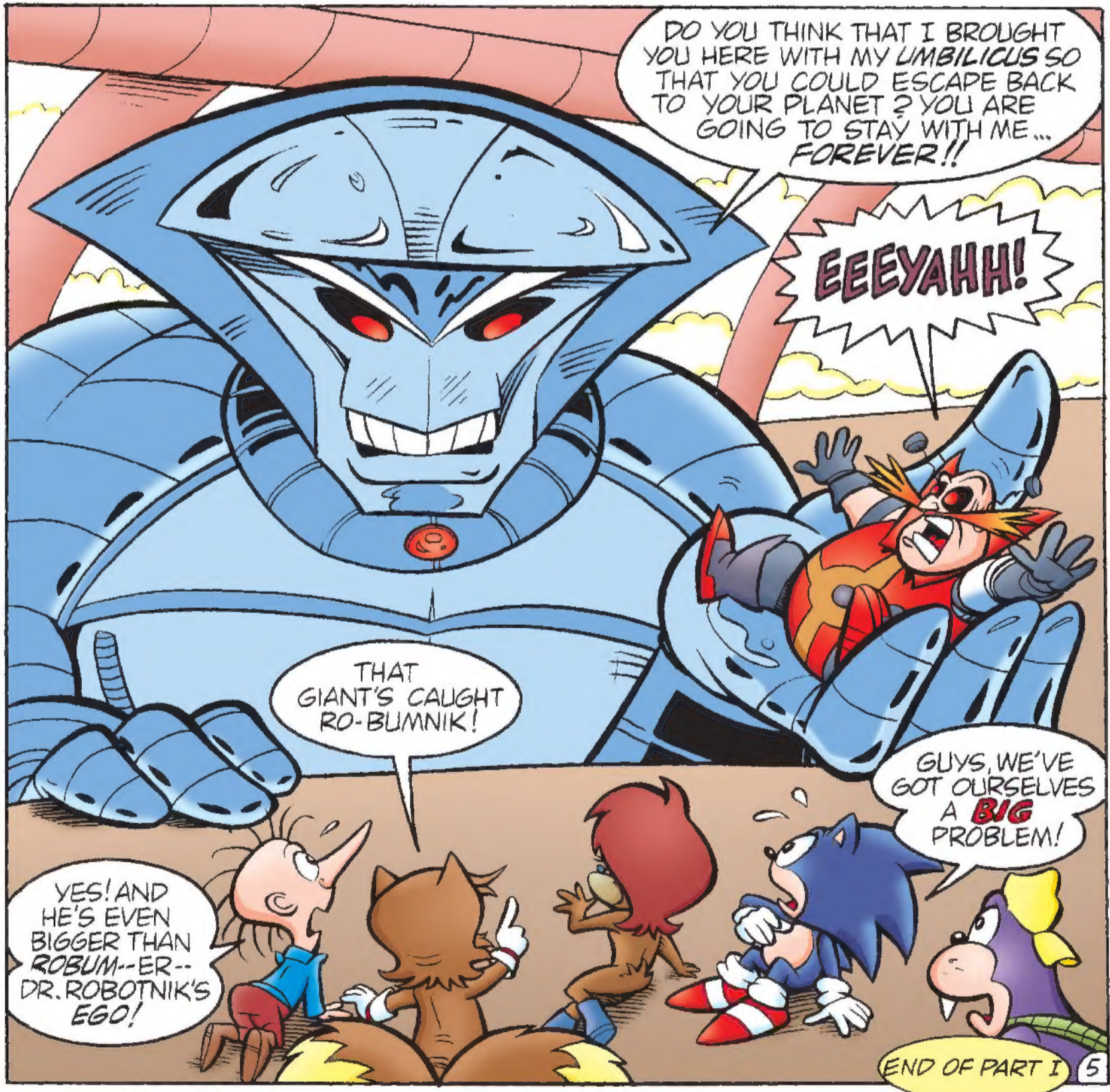
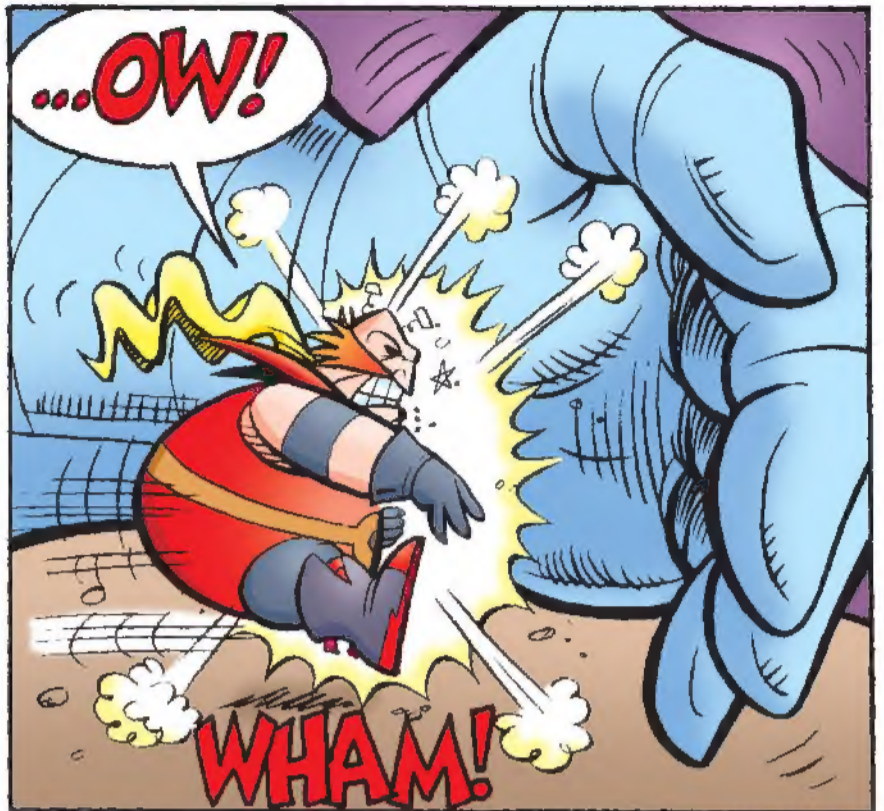


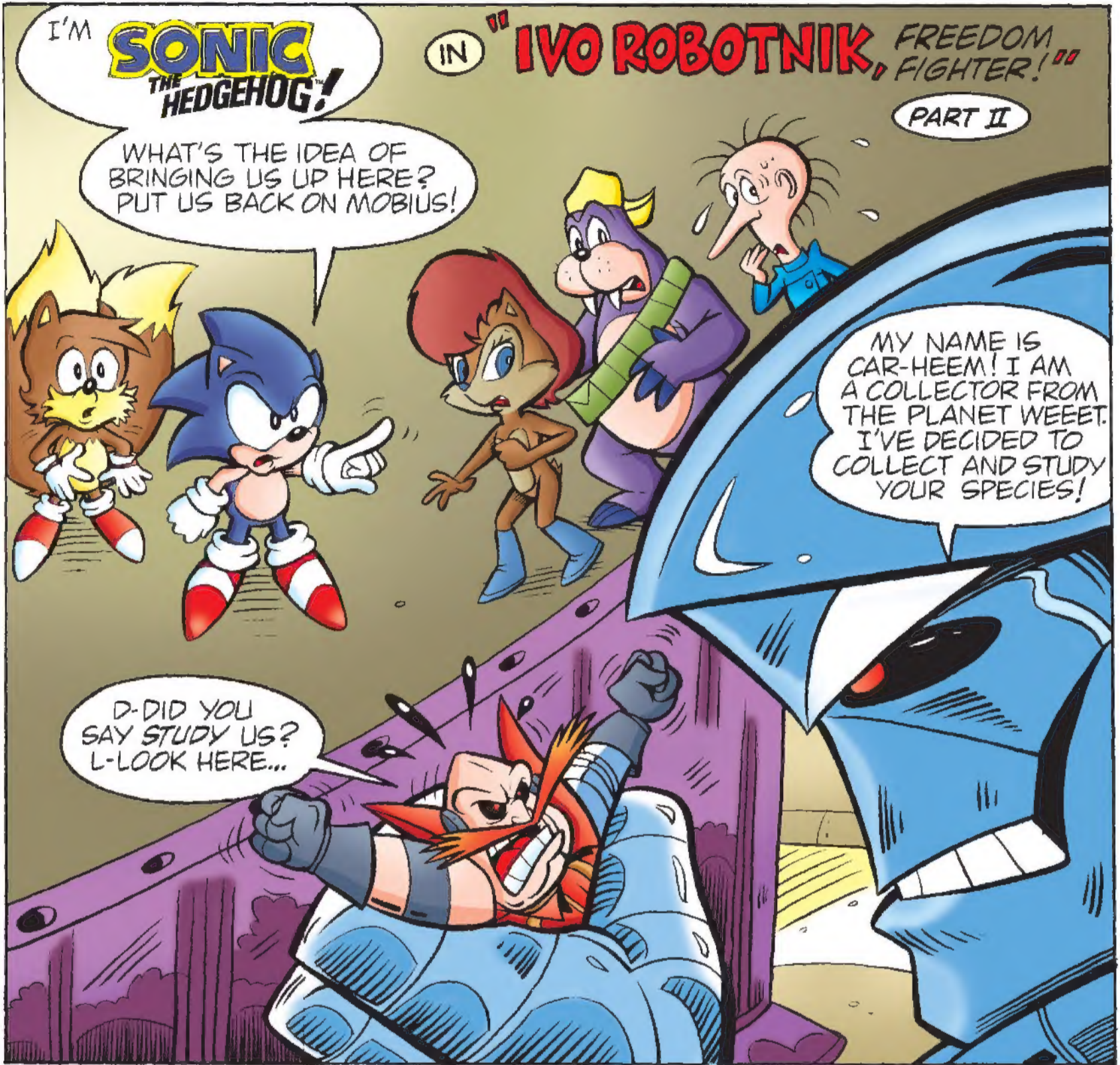
WE... WE MUST BE MILES ABOVE GROUND!

HEDGEHOG! IF THIS IS ONE OF YOUR TRICKS...

YEAH, RIGHT! I ARRANGED THIS WITH ONE OF MY FRIENDS IN HIGH PLACES!

WHO COULD HAVE BROUGHT US HERE... AND WHY?!





I'M **SONIC** THE HEDGEHOG!

IN "IVO ROBOTNIK, FREEDOM FIGHTER!"

PART II

WHAT'S THE IDEA OF BRINGING US UP HERE? PUT US BACK ON MOBIUS!

MY NAME IS CAR-HEEM! I AM A COLLECTOR FROM THE PLANET WEEET. I'VE DECIDED TO COLLECT AND STUDY YOUR SPECIES!

D-DID YOU SAY STUDY US? L-LOOK HERE...



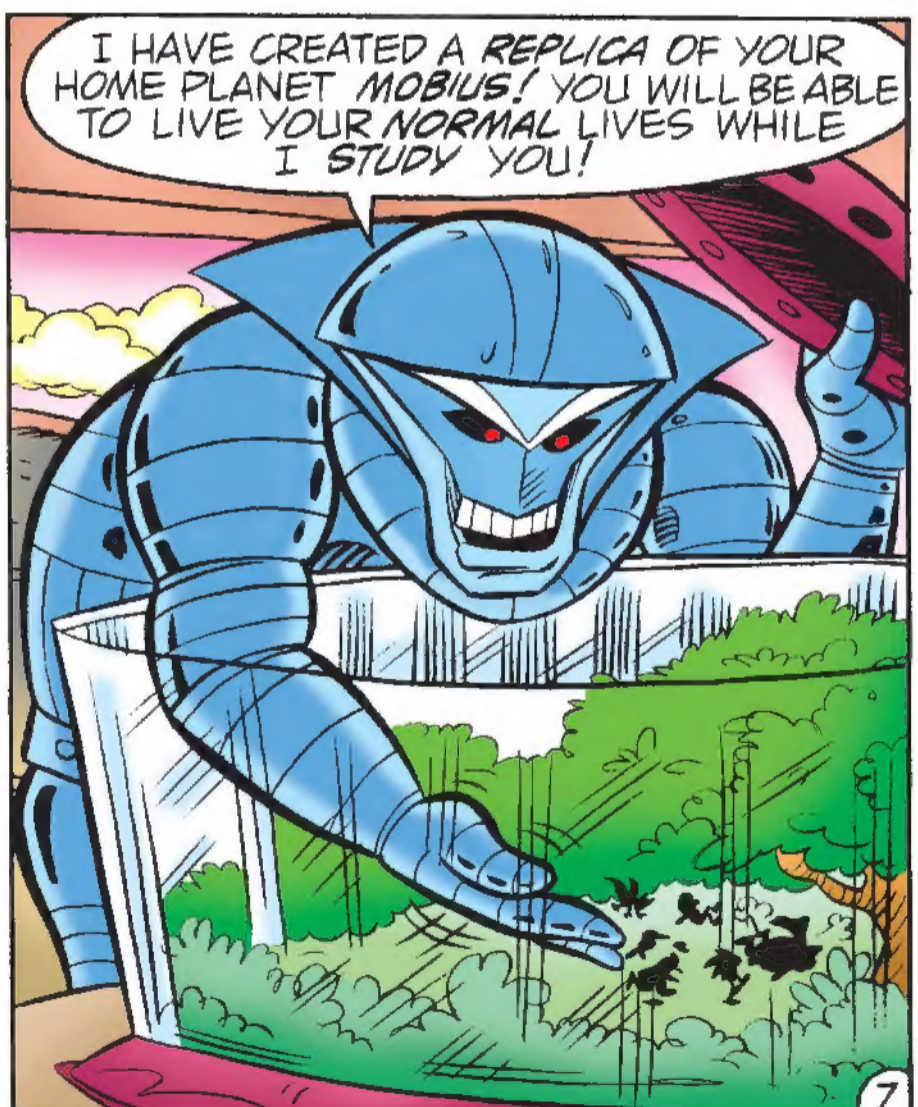
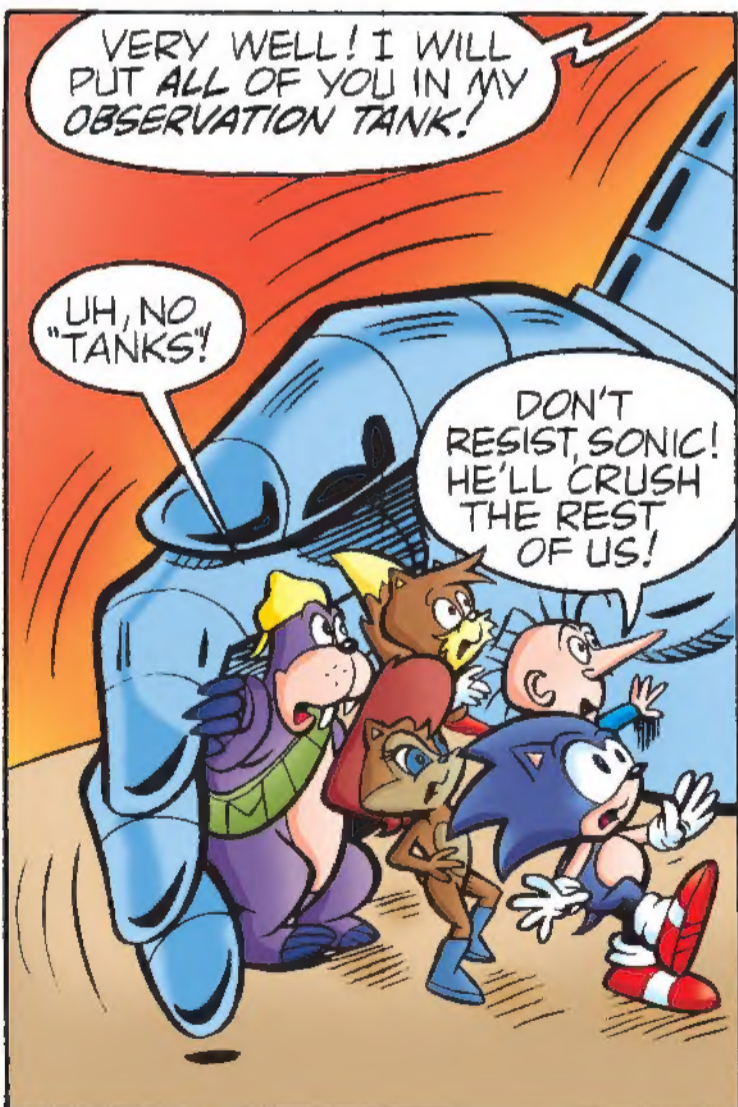
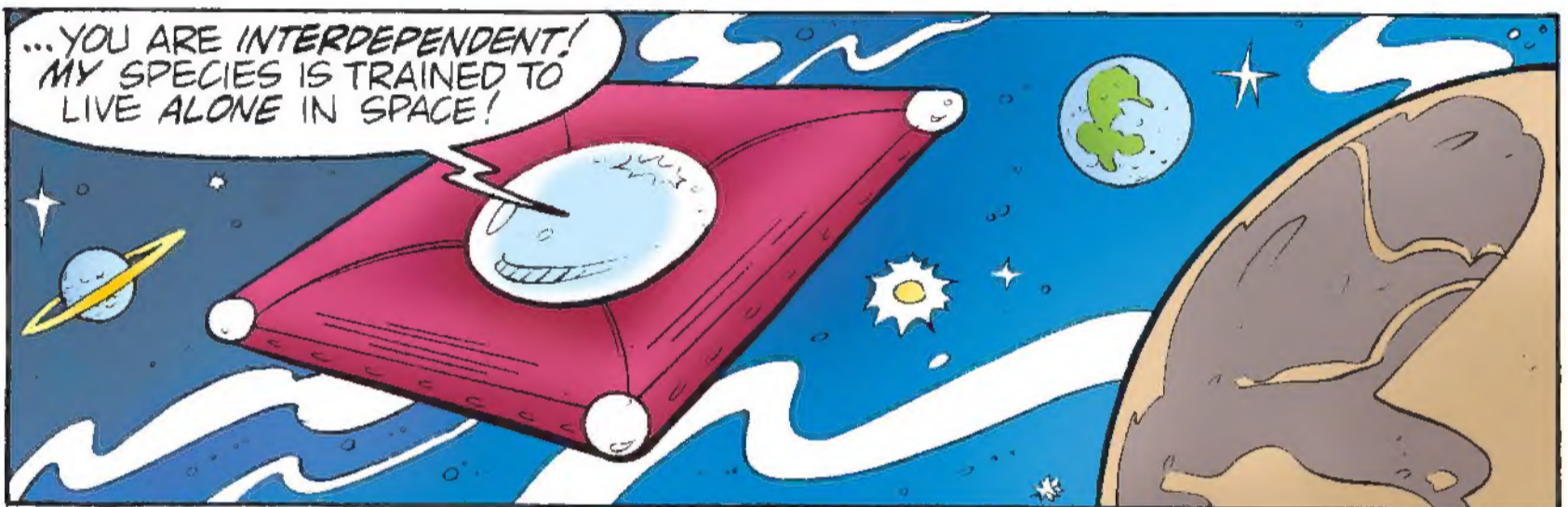
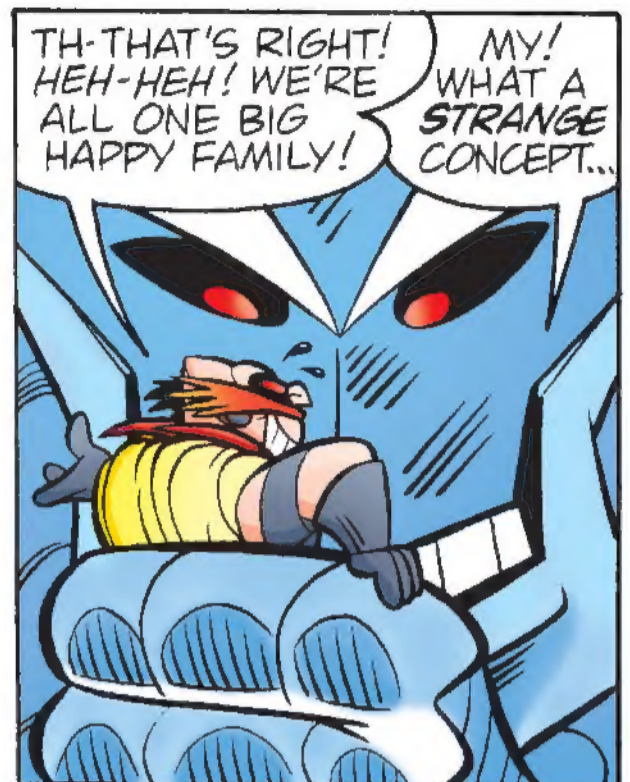
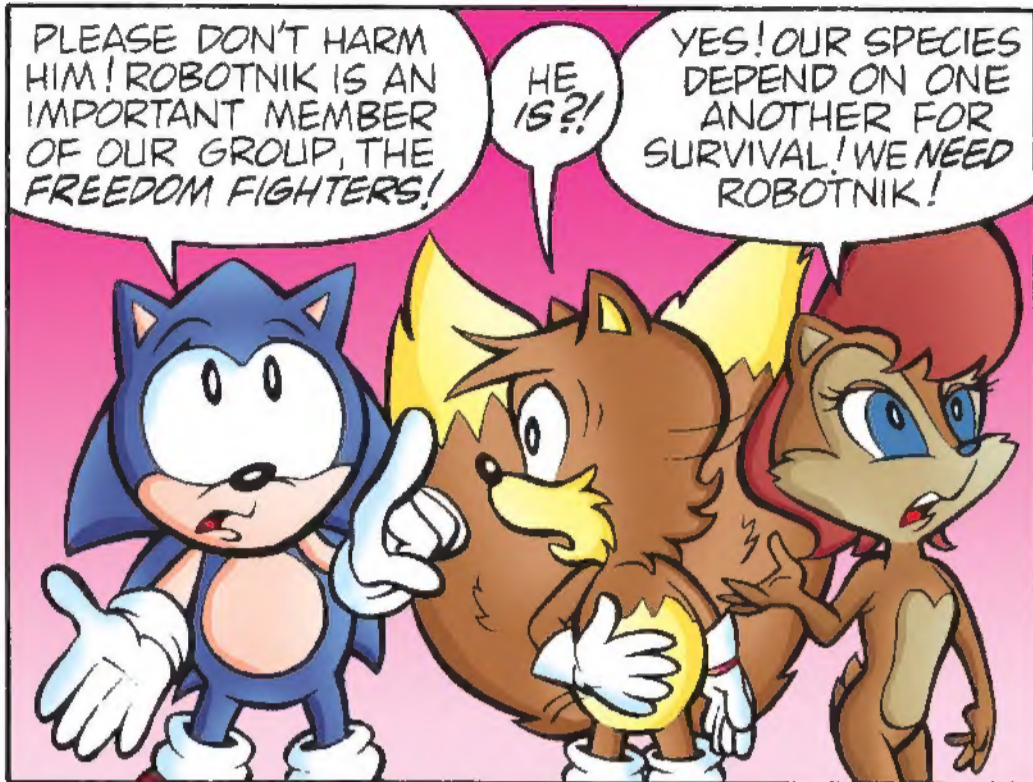
...I'LL GIVE YOU "THE ROBOTNIK GUIDEBOOK"! IT'S ALL ABOUT ME, INCLUDING A CHAPTER ON HOW TO BE EVIL! AND AT THE DISCOUNTED PRICE-- A "COLLECTOR'S" DISCOUNT THAT IS-- OF ONLY \$12.99, YOU CAN'T GO WRONG! SO, KEEP THE OTHERS AND LET ME GO!

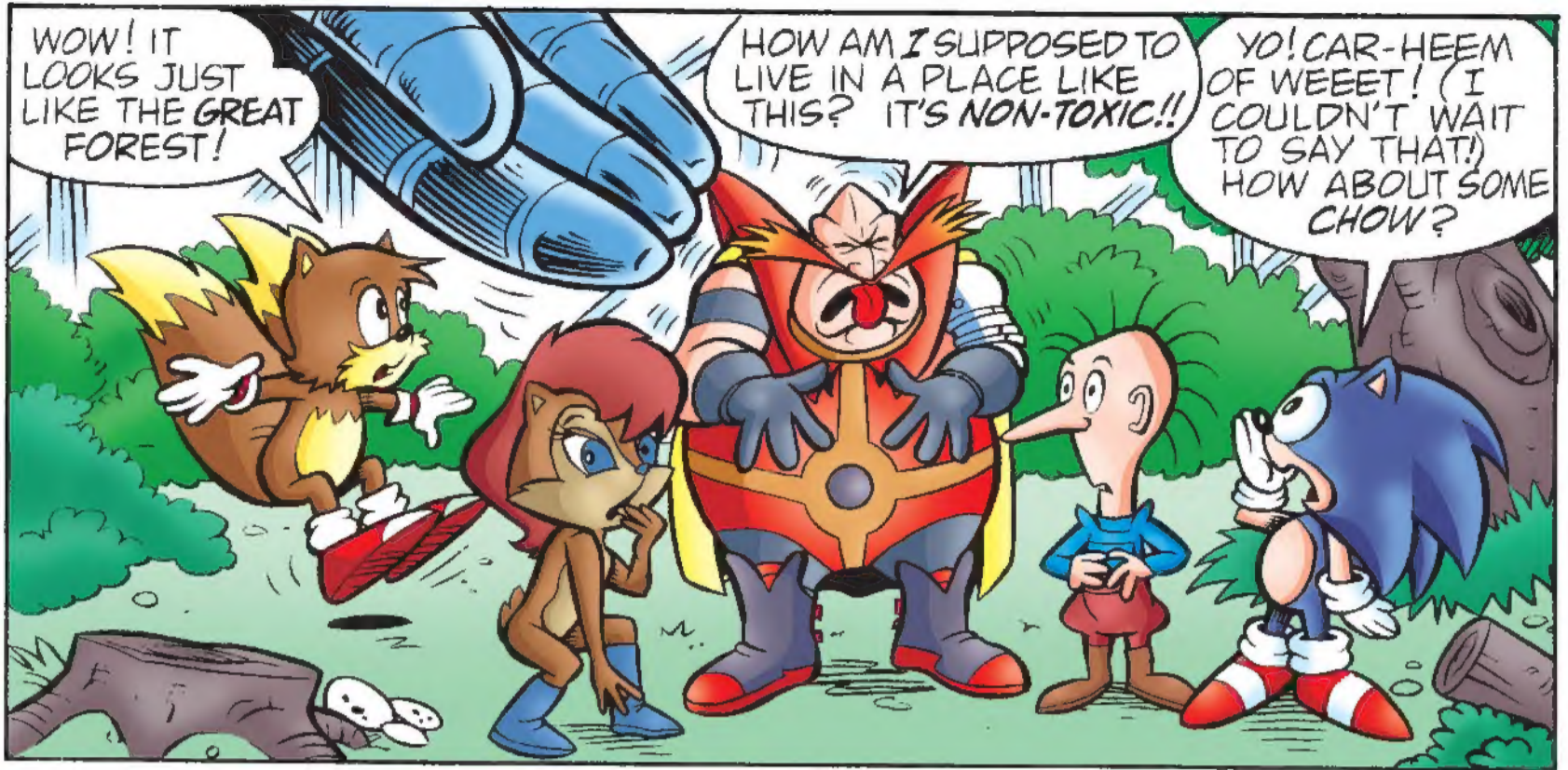
THE ROBOTNIK GUIDEBOOK!



QUIET!! YOU ARE OBVIOUSLY OF AN INFERIOR SPECIES! PERHAPS I SHOULD DISPOSE OF YOU!

D-D-D-DISPOSE?!!

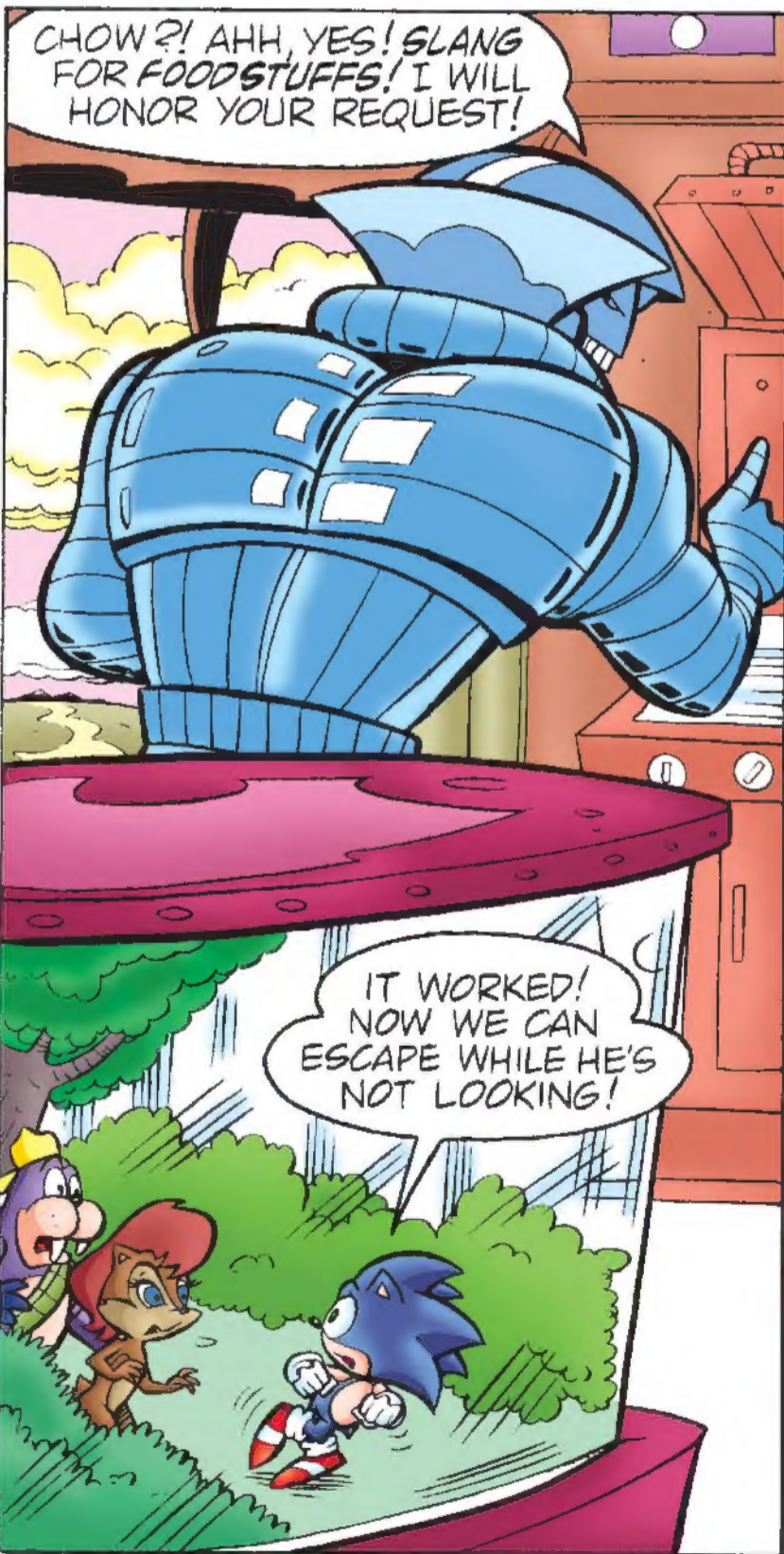




WOW! IT LOOKS JUST LIKE THE GREAT FOREST!

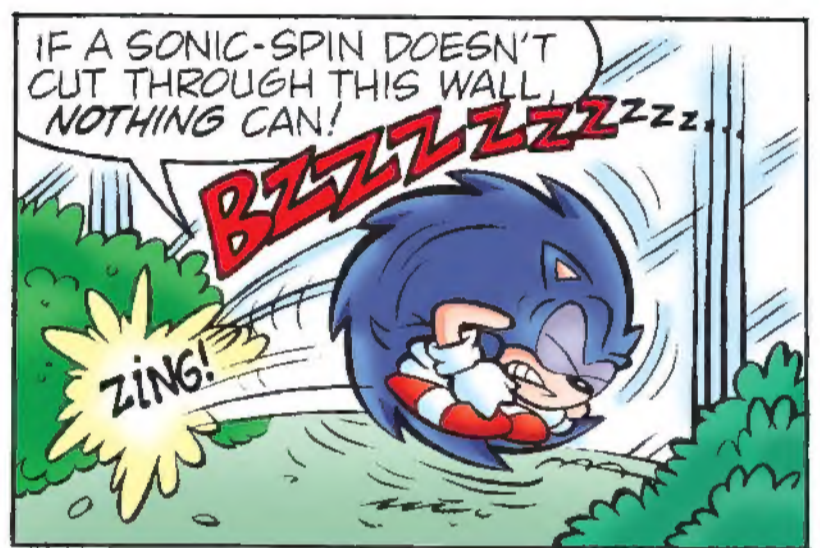
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO LIVE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS? IT'S NON-TOXIC!!

YO! CAR-HEEM OF WEEET! (I COULDN'T WAIT TO SAY THAT!) HOW ABOUT SOME CHOW?

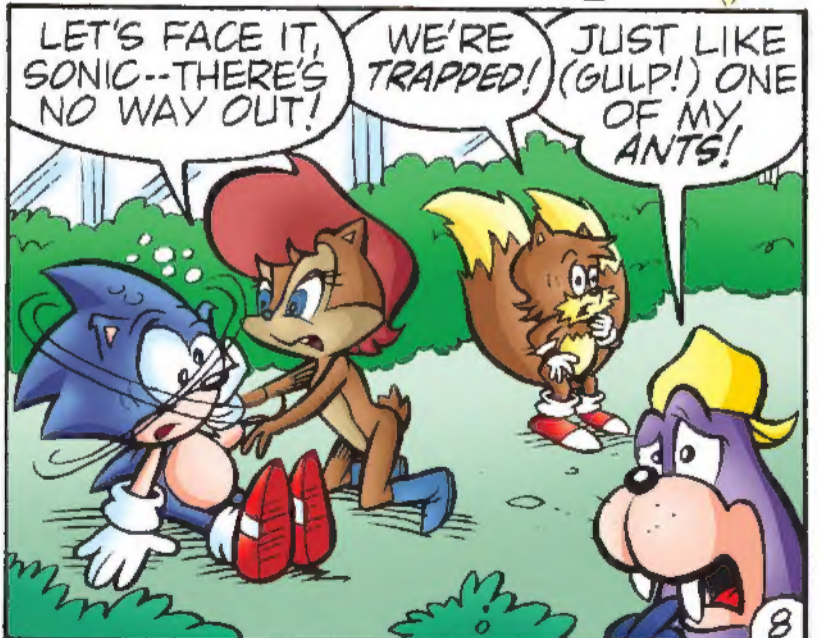


CHOW?! AHH, YES! SLANG FOR FOODSTUFFS! I WILL HONOR YOUR REQUEST!

IT WORKED! NOW WE CAN ESCAPE WHILE HE'S NOT LOOKING!



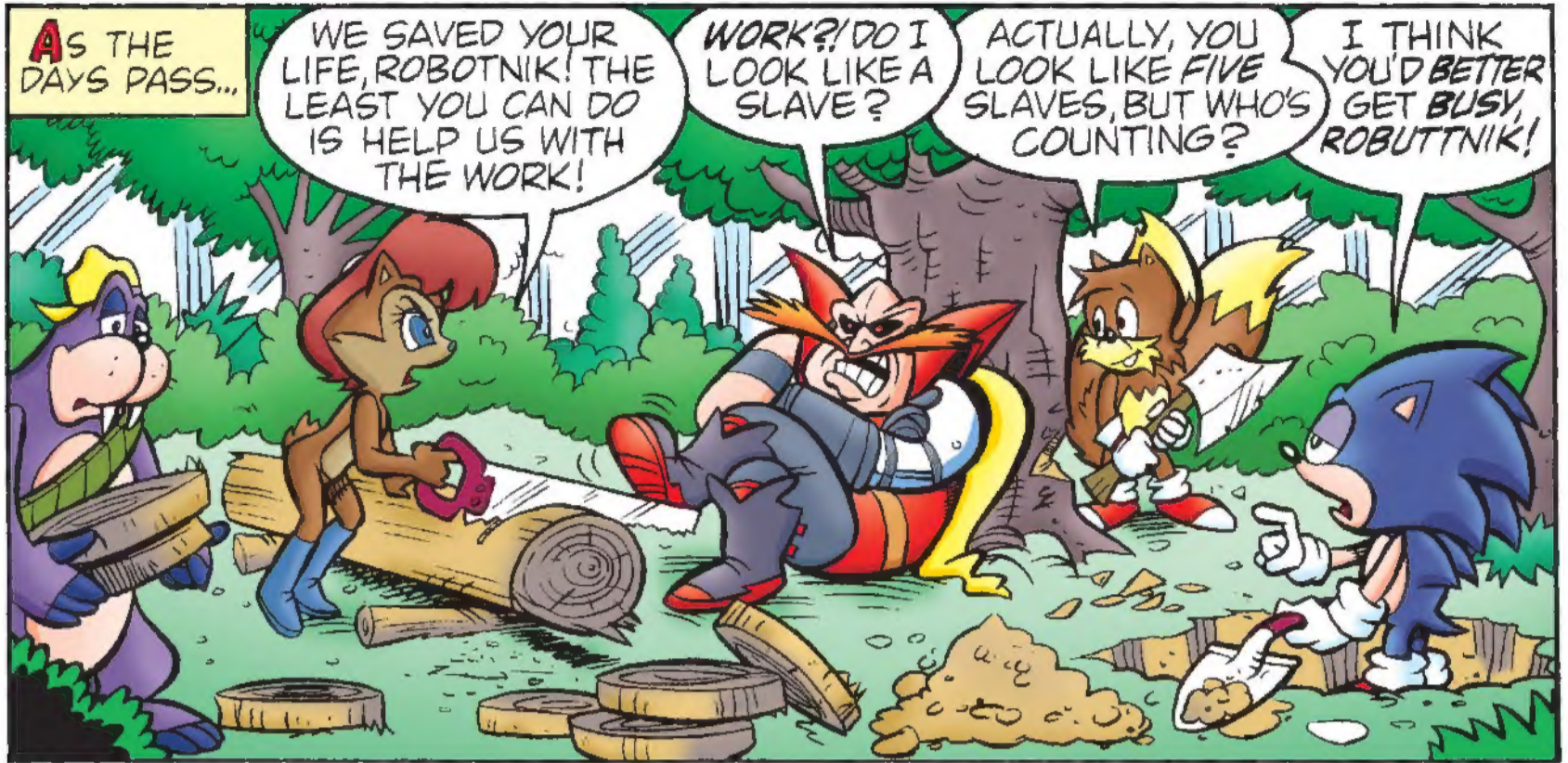
IF A SONIC-SPIN DOESN'T CUT THROUGH THIS WALL, NOTHING CAN!



LET'S FACE IT, SONIC--THERE'S NO WAY OUT!

WE'RE TRAPPED!

JUST LIKE (GULP!) ONE OF MY ANTS!



AS THE DAYS PASS...

WE SAVED YOUR LIFE, ROBOTNIK! THE LEAST YOU CAN DO IS HELP US WITH THE WORK!

WORK?! DO I LOOK LIKE A SLAVE?

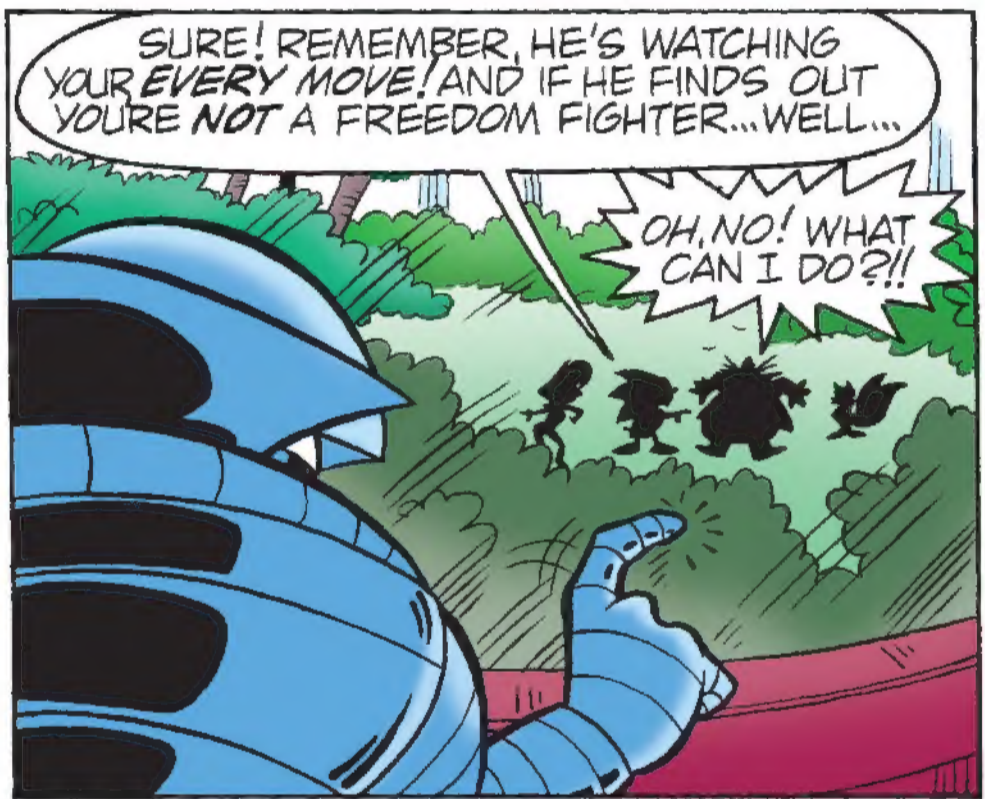
ACTUALLY, YOU LOOK LIKE FIVE SLAVES, BUT WHO'S COUNTING?

I THINK YOU'D BETTER GET BUSY, ROBOTNIK!



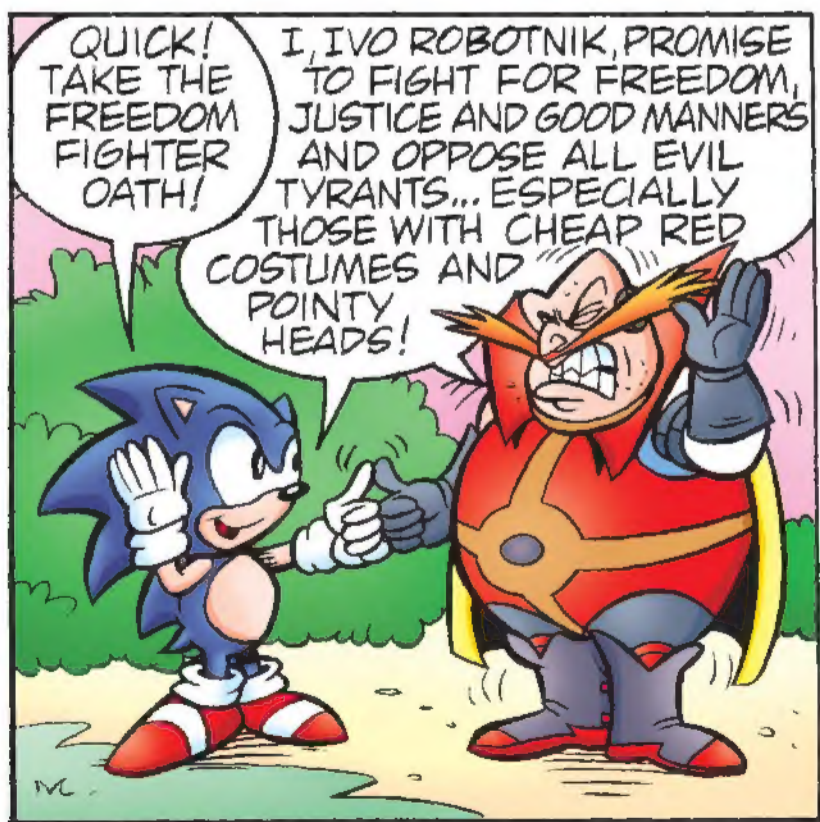
YOU KNOW WE TOLD CAR-HEEM THAT YOU'RE A FREEDOM FIGHTER! HE'S GOING TO BE VERY SUSPICIOUS IF YOU DON'T ACT LIKE ONE!

HE... HE IS?



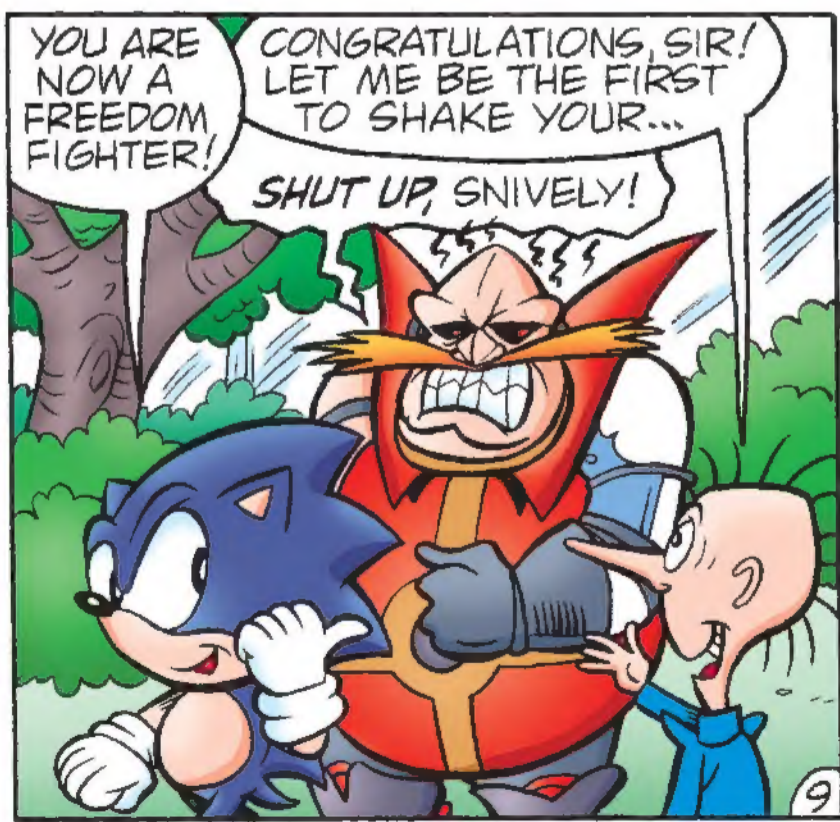
SURE! REMEMBER, HE'S WATCHING YOUR EVERY MOVE! AND IF HE FINDS OUT YOU'RE NOT A FREEDOM FIGHTER... WELL...

OH, NO! WHAT CAN I DO?!!



QUICK! TAKE THE FREEDOM FIGHTER OATH!

I, IVO ROBOTNIK, PROMISE TO FIGHT FOR FREEDOM, JUSTICE AND GOOD MANNERS AND OPPOSE ALL EVIL TYRANTS... ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH CHEAP RED COSTUMES AND POINTY HEADS!



YOU ARE NOW A FREEDOM FIGHTER!

CONGRATULATIONS, SIR! LET ME BE THE FIRST TO SHAKE YOUR...

SHUT UP, SNIVELY!

THAT EVENING...

I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT WHAT YOU SAID, ROTOR... ABOUT US BEING JUST LIKE YOUR ANTS!

WHAT ABOUT IT, SONIC?

ZZZZ...

YOU WATCH ANTS BECAUSE THEY'RE INTERESTING, RIGHT? WELL, MAYBE WE SHOULD STOP BEING INTERESTING TO CAR-HEEM!

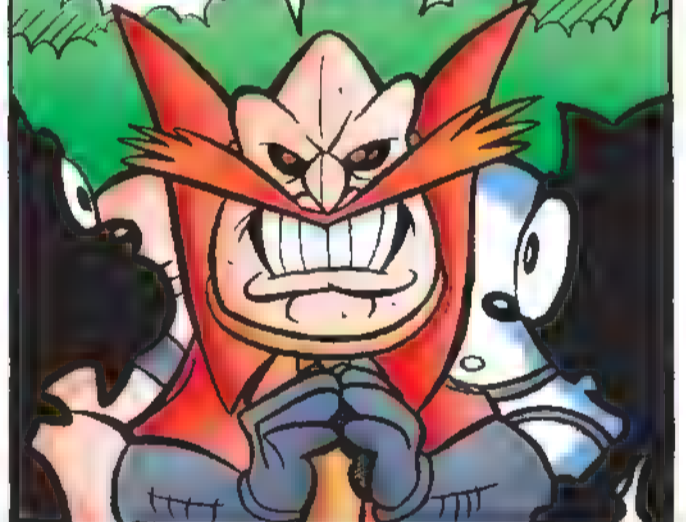
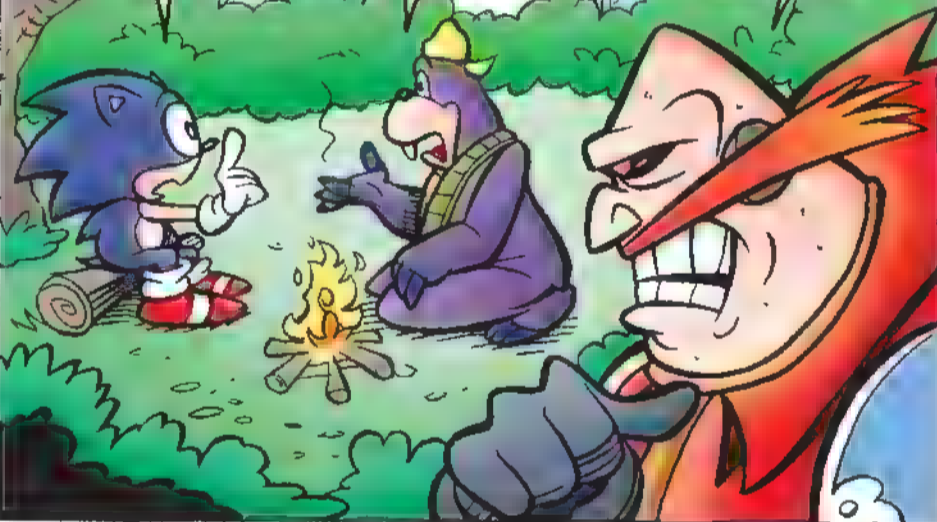
BUT WHAT GOOD WOULD THAT DO?

IT MIGHT GET HIM TO OPEN UP THE TOP OF THIS TANK WE'RE IN!

BIG DEAL! HOW WOULD WE GET OUT OF THE TANK AND BACK DOWN TO MOBIUS?!

LEAVE THAT TO ME!

I MAY BE EVIL, BUT I'M AN EVIL GENIUS! IF YOU HELP ME GATHER MATERIALS, I'LL BUILD A VEHICLE THAT WILL ALLOW US TO ESCAPE FROM THE TANK!

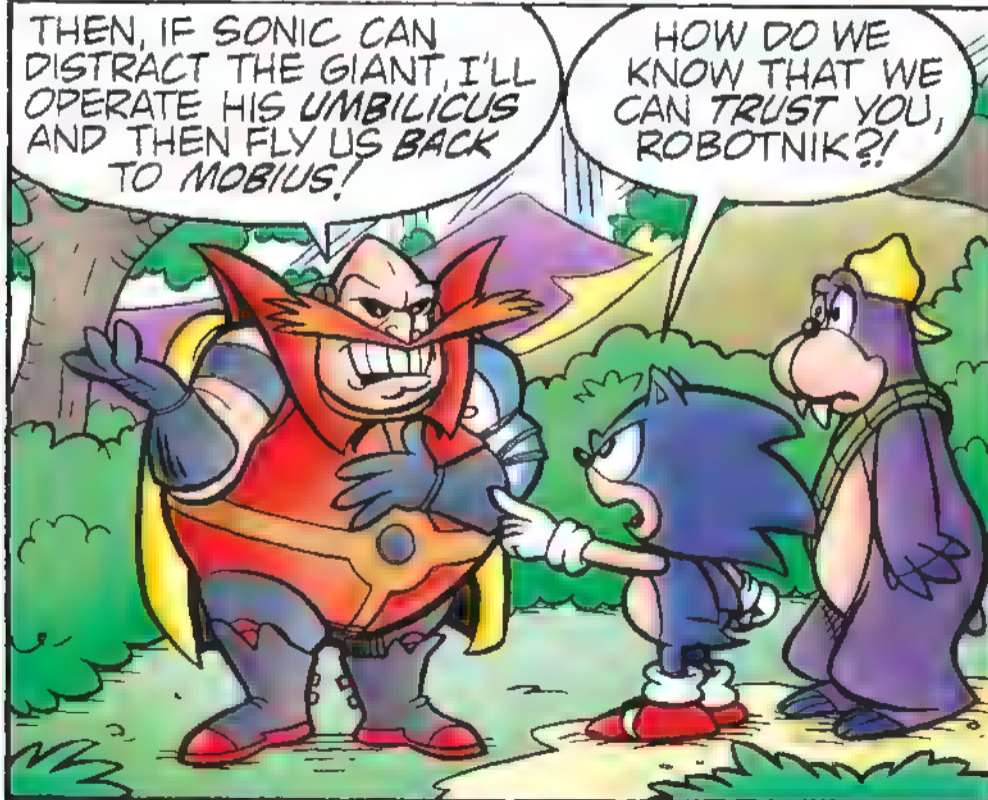


THEN, IF SONIC CAN DISTRACT THE GIANT, I'LL OPERATE HIS UMBILICUS AND THEN FLY US BACK TO MOBIUS!

HOW DO WE KNOW THAT WE CAN TRUST YOU, ROBOTNIK?!

YOU'RE FORGETTING THAT I'M A FREEDOM FIGHTER! I'M ON YOUR SIDE!

FOOLS! HEH! HEH! HEH!



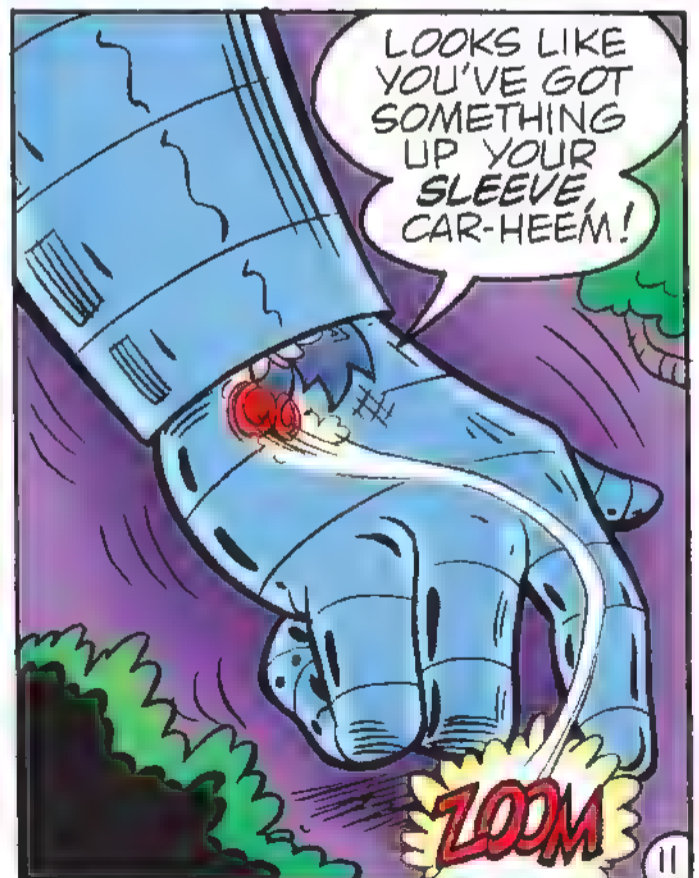
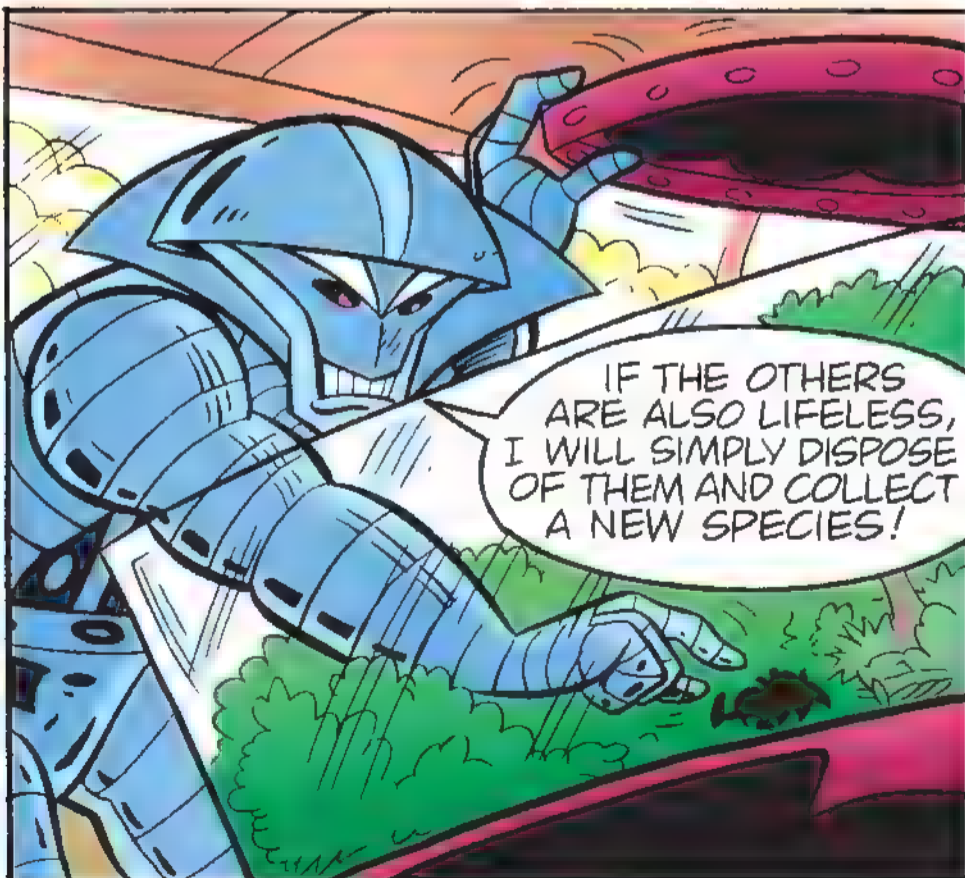
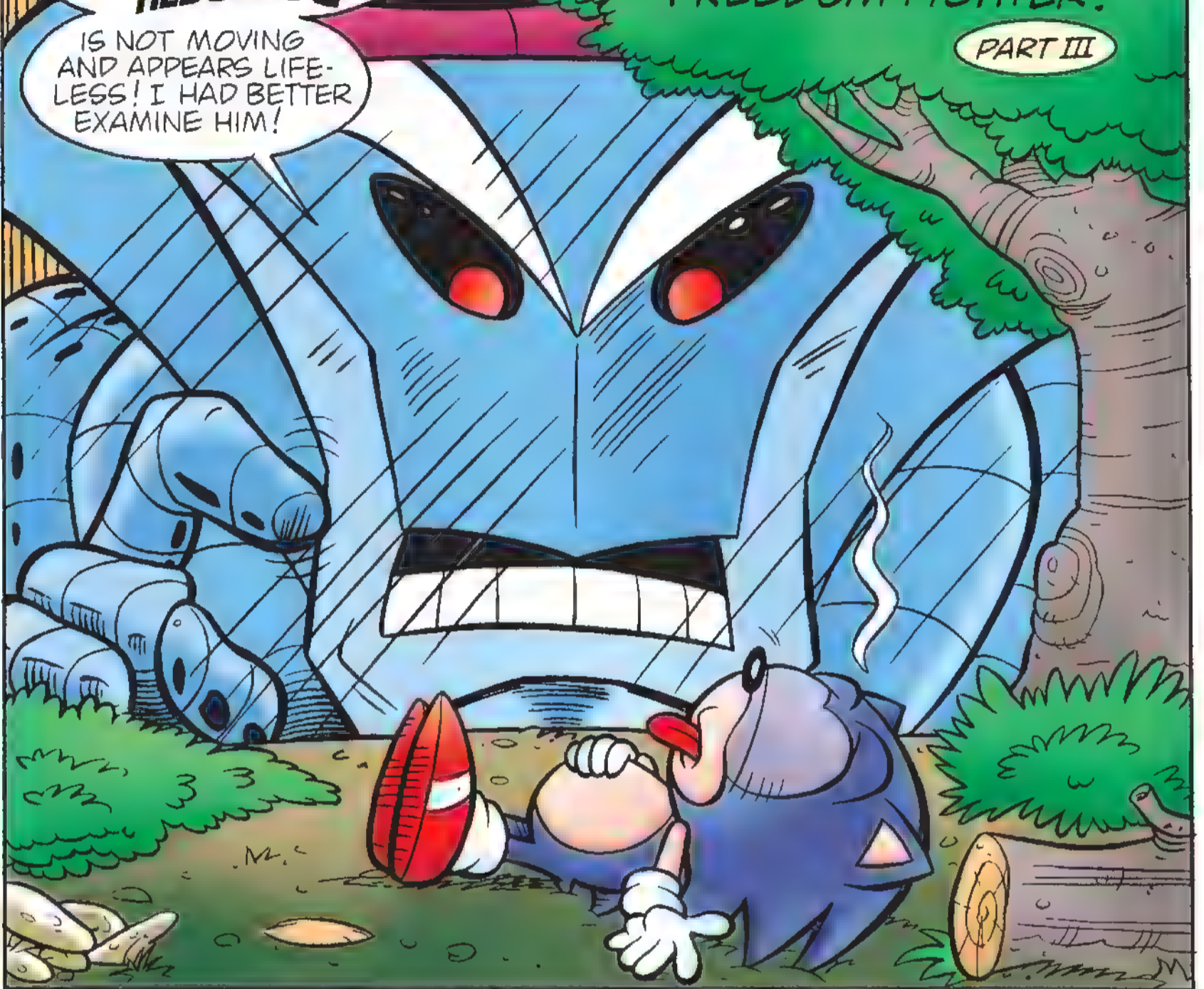
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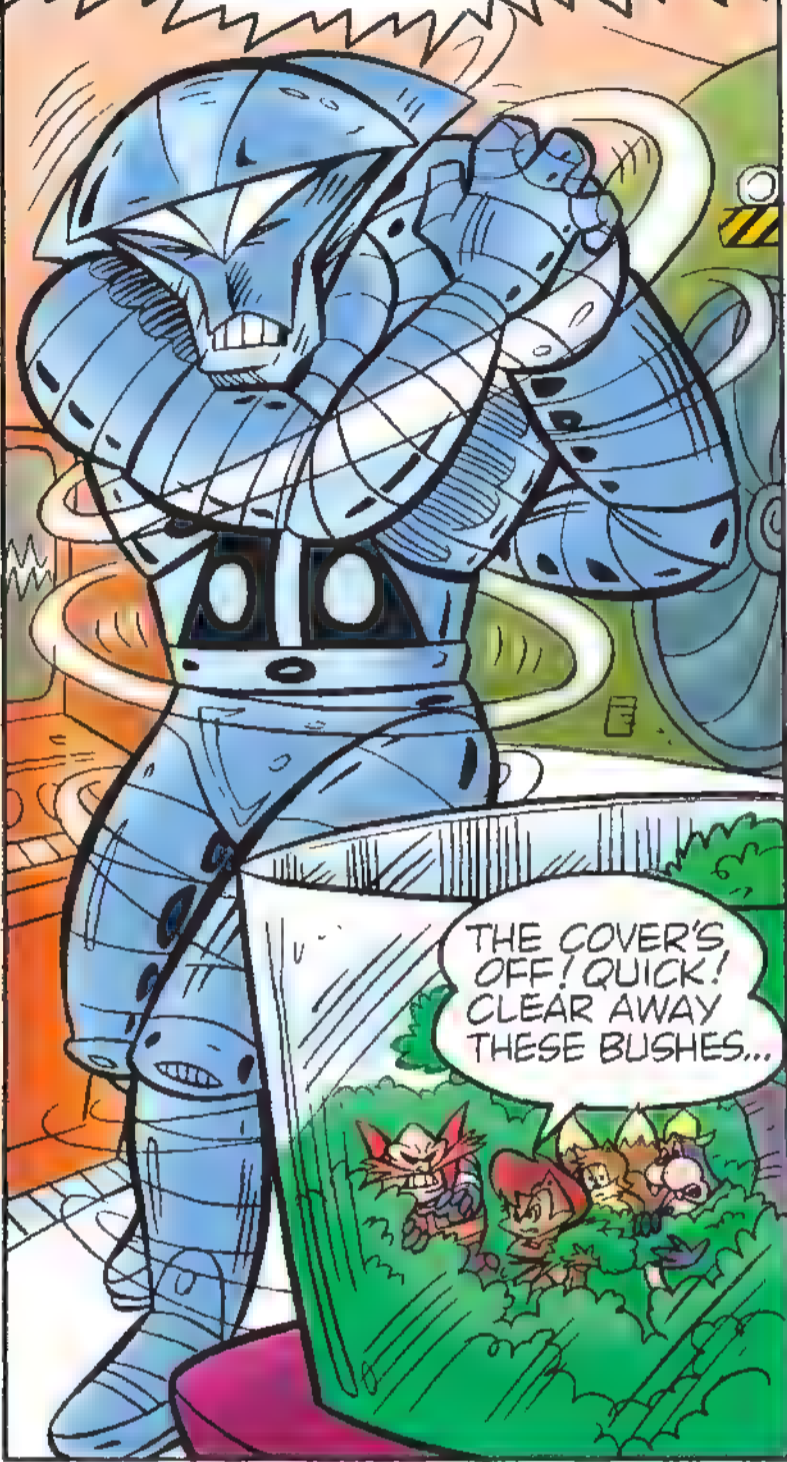
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PART III

IS NOT MOVING
AND APPEARS LIFE-
LESS! I HAD BETTER
EXAMINE HIM!

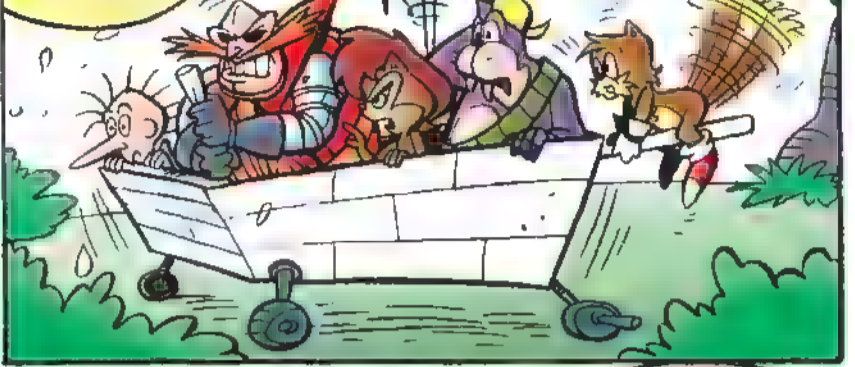


THE HEDGEHOG IS RUNNING AROUND INSIDE MY UNIFORM! I... I'M ITCHING ALL OVER!!



THE COVER'S OFF! QUICK! CLEAR AWAY THESE BUSHES...

...AND LET'S HOPE THAT THIS MAKE-SHIFT 'COPTER WILL GET US OUT OF HERE!

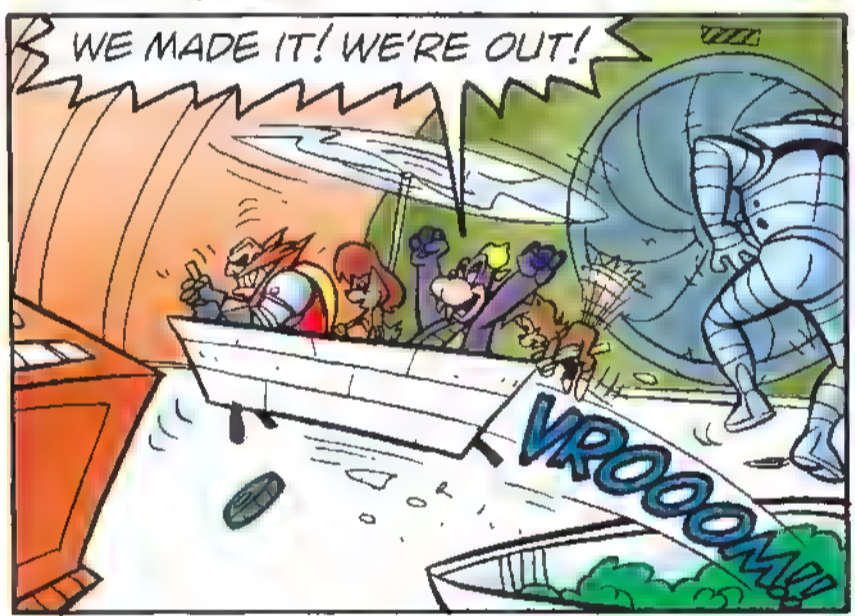


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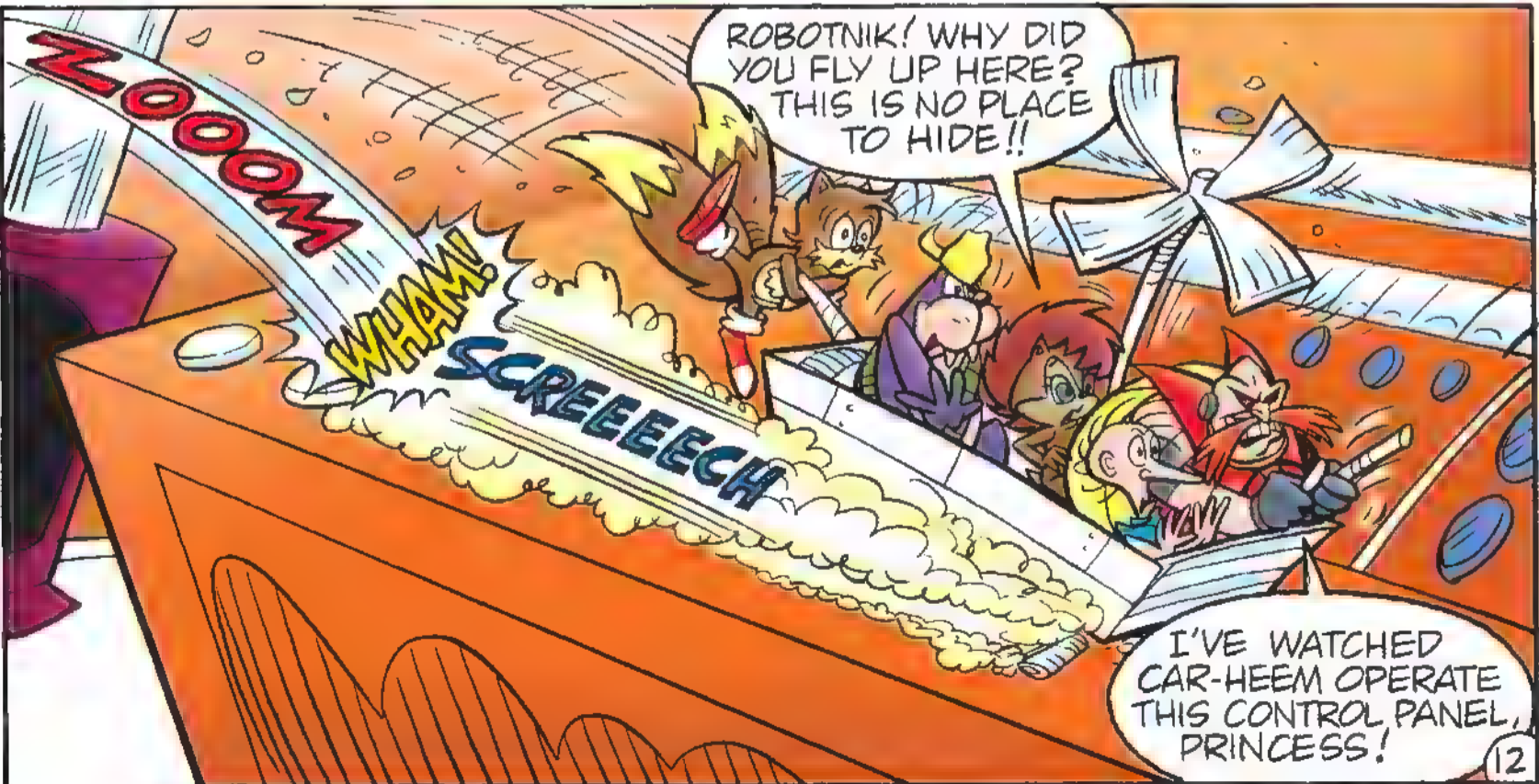
READY? ONE... TWO... THREE...

BUMP! BUMP!



WE MADE IT! WE'RE OUT!

VROOOM!!



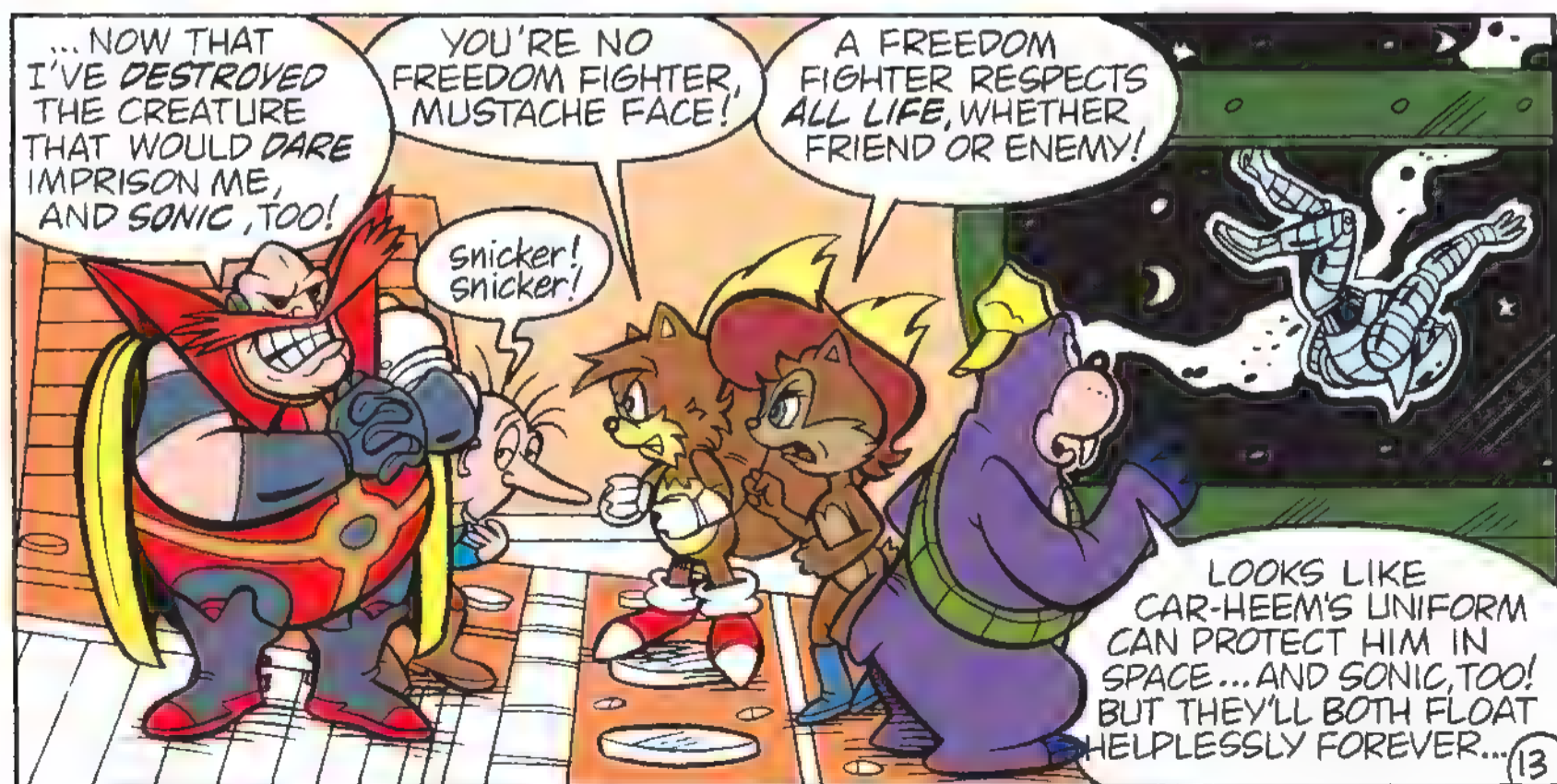
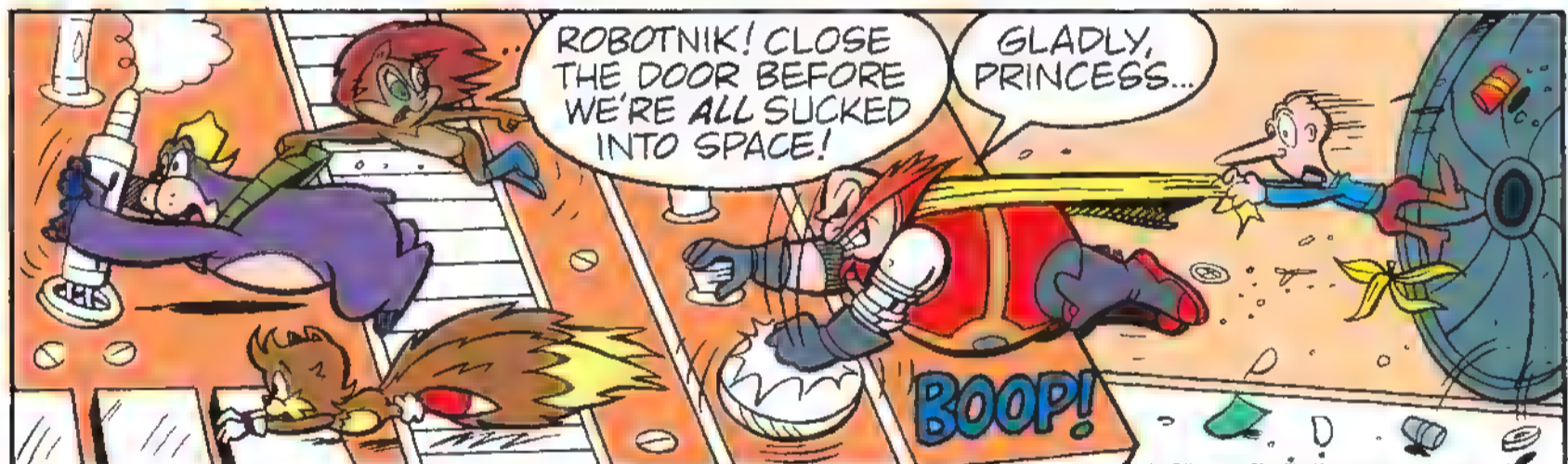
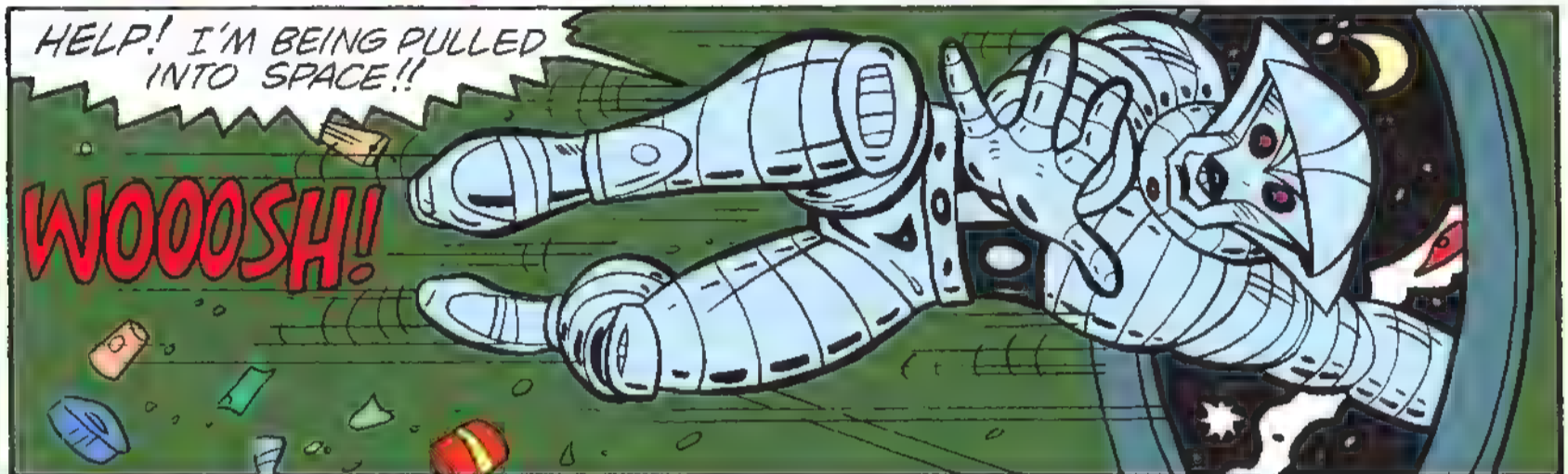
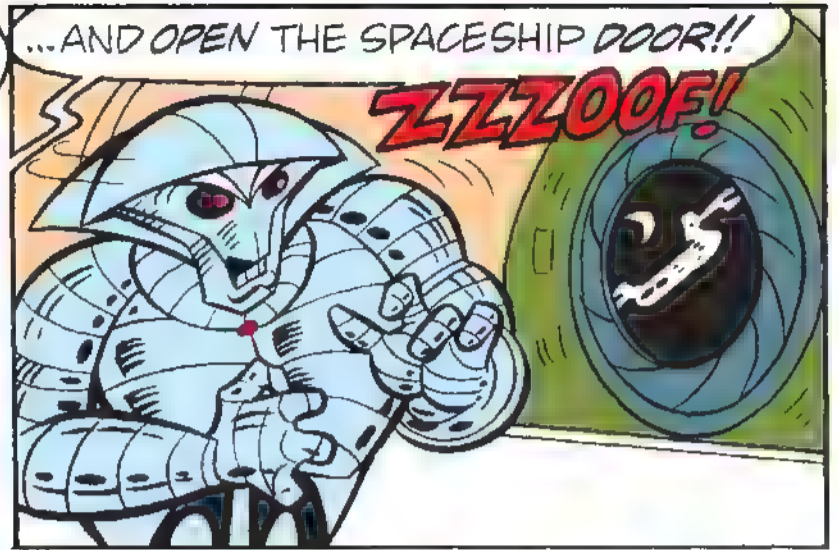
ROBOTNIK! WHY DID YOU FLY UP HERE? THIS IS NO PLACE TO HIDE!!

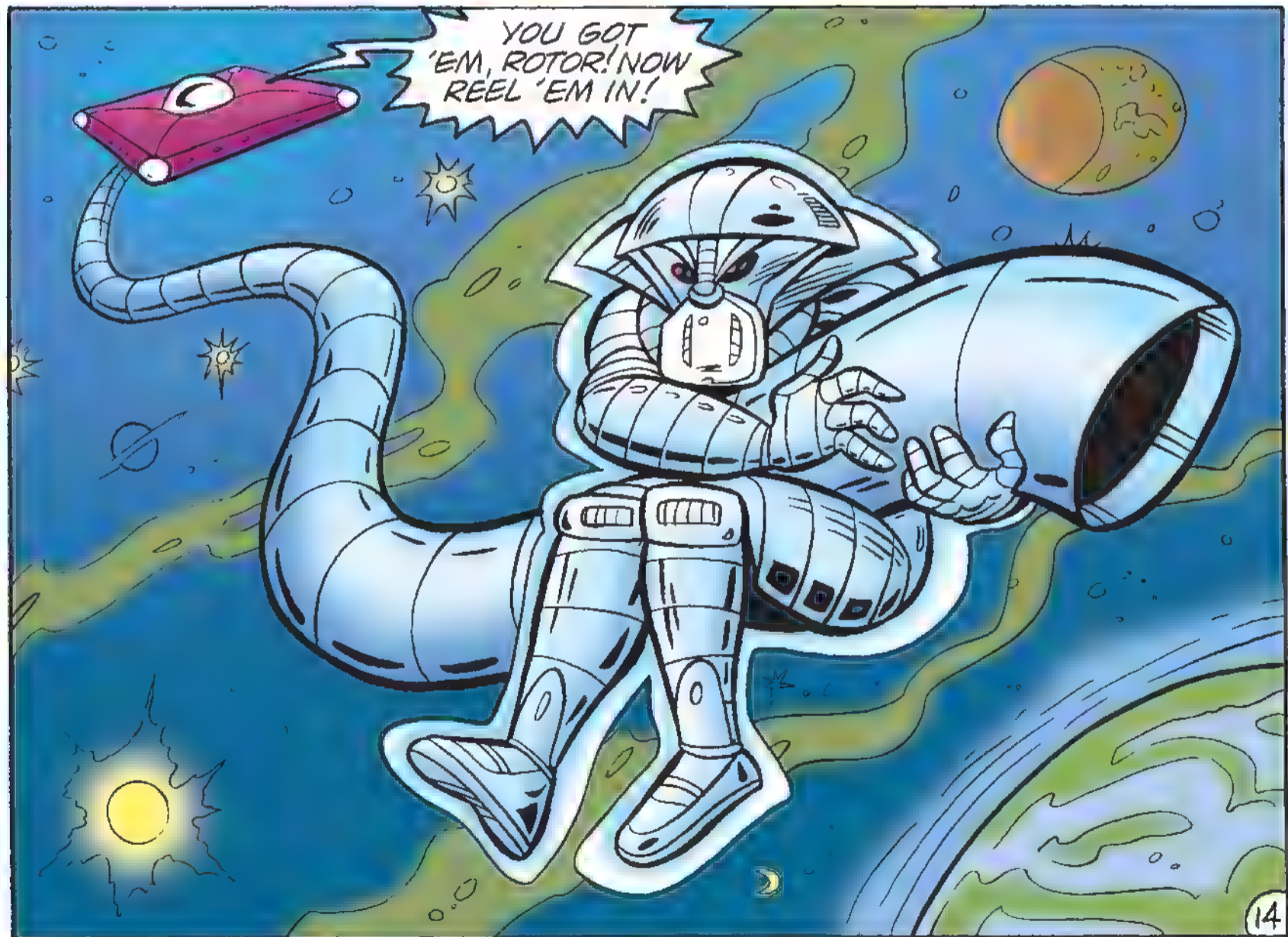
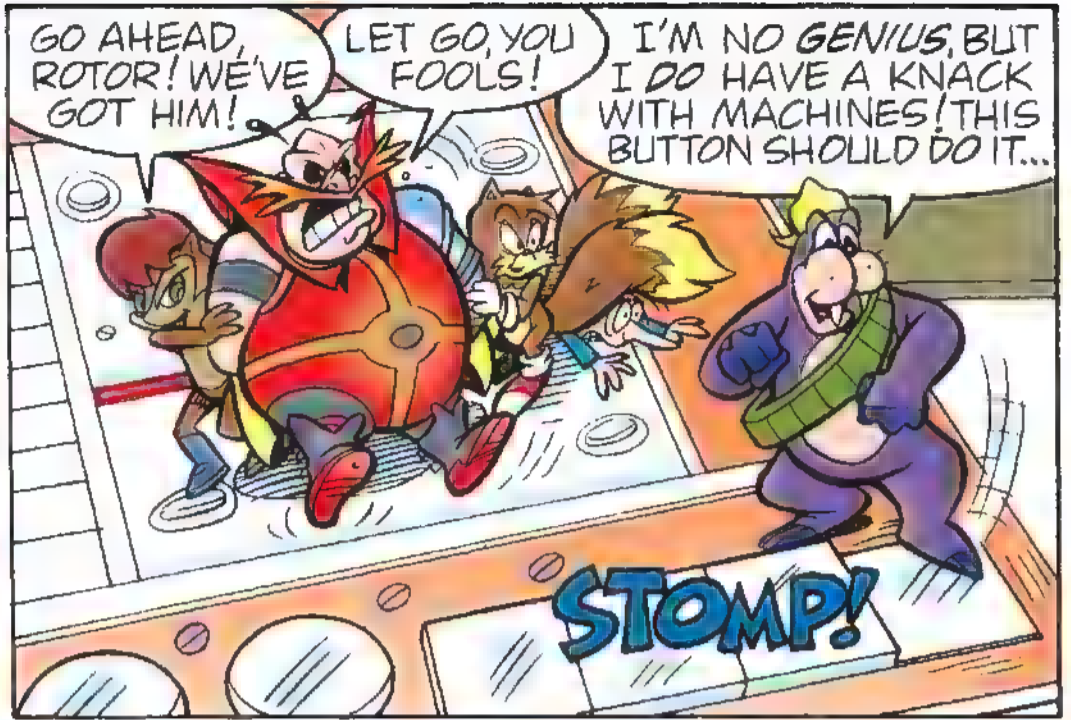
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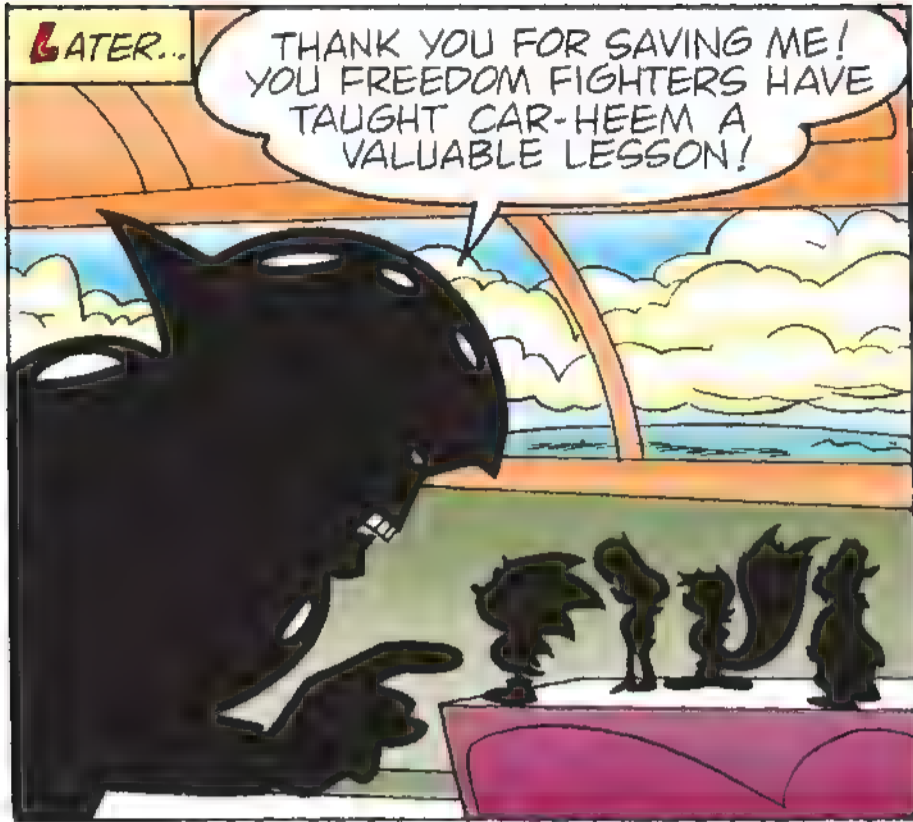
WHAM!

SCREEECH

I'VE WATCHED CAR-HEEM OPERATE THIS CONTROL PANEL, PRINCESS!

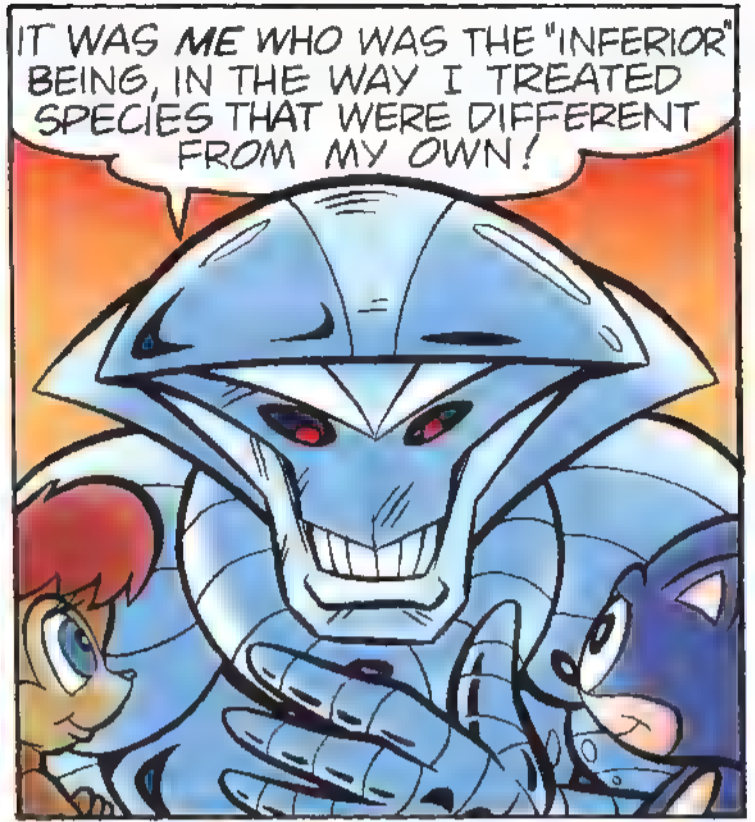




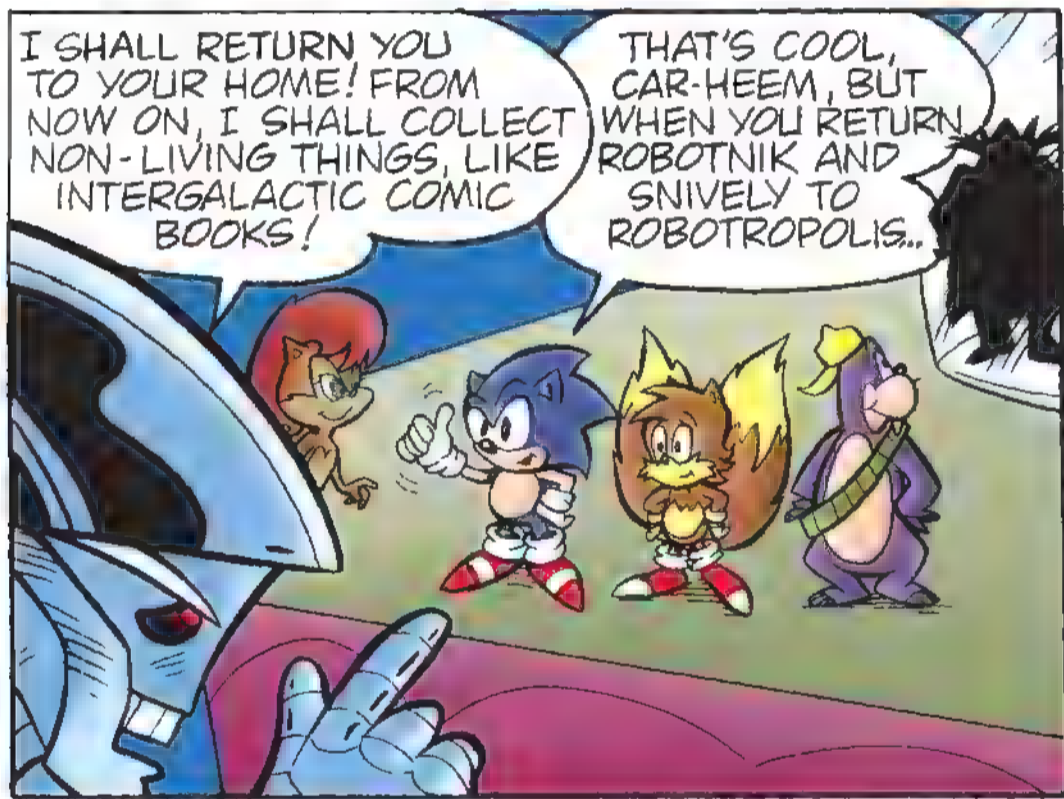


LATER...

THANK YOU FOR SAVING ME!
YOU FREEDOM FIGHTERS HAVE
TAUGHT CAR-HEEM A
VALUABLE LESSON!



IT WAS ME WHO WAS THE "INFERIOR"
BEING, IN THE WAY I TREATED
SPECIES THAT WERE DIFFERENT
FROM MY OWN!

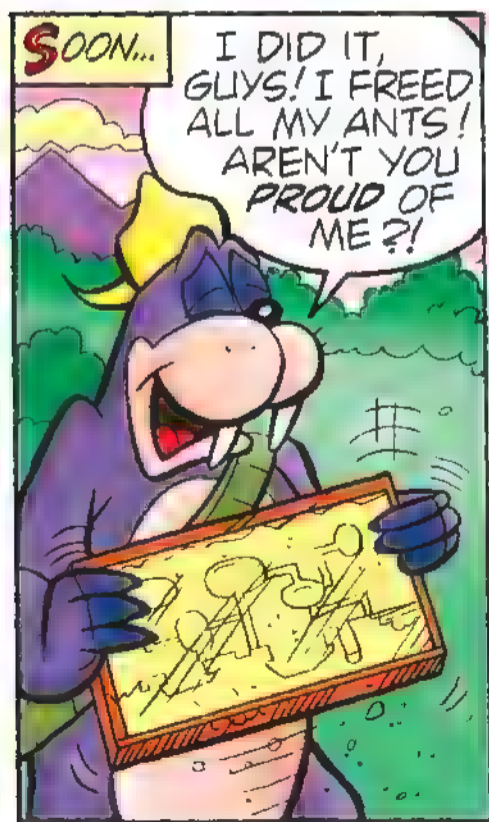


I SHALL RETURN YOU
TO YOUR HOME! FROM
NOW ON, I SHALL COLLECT
NON-LIVING THINGS, LIKE
INTERGALACTIC COMIC
BOOKS!

THAT'S COOL,
CAR-HEEM, BUT
WHEN YOU RETURN
ROBOTNIK AND
SNIVELY TO
ROBOTROPOLIS..



...BE SURE TO DROP THEM
IN A NICE, GOOEY POND
OF TOXIC
SLIME!



SOON...

I DID IT,
GUYS! I FREED
ALL MY ANTS!
AREN'T YOU
PROUD OF
ME?!



WE'LL LET YOU KNOW AS SOON
AS WE STOP ITCHING, ROTOR!

SCRATCH!

SCRATCH! SCRATCH!

SCRATCH!

SCRATCH!

THE
END

HEY, GANG! HERE ARE THE WINNERS OF THE "DO-IT-YOURSELF" SONIC CONTEST! CONGRATULATIONS!

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SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

ALL'S WHALE THAT END'S WHALE!

THIS IS ONE SUMMER WE'RE NOT GOING TO SPEND FIGHTING ROBOTNIK!

YEAH, THIS IS SUCH A GREAT IDEA, SONIC! I LIKE FISHING!

FREEDOM SPLASHER

YES! I GOT A MOBIAN TROUT!

WOW, IT MUST BE A PRETTY BIG ONE!

YEAH! NNGH!

GOOD ONE, TAILS! I'VE GOT A BIG ONE!

YIKES! I KNEW IT WAS TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE

SO MUCH FOR OUR RELAXING SUMMER!

SAY "AW," HEDGEHOG

BECAUSE YOU ARE GOING DOWN THE DRAIN!

I HAVE YOU NOW!

DID PINOCCHIO HAVE TO GO THROUGH THIS?!

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I'VE SPOTTED THE HEDGEHOG, CRABMEAT!

I'M TURNING MY SPEED TO MAXIMUM PERCENT

YES, OH, "RULER OF ROUNDNESS!"

GOOD, CRABMEAT! CHARGE ON MY COMMAND!

GEE, THAT WAS CLOSE!

NO KIDDING! MY SPEED COMES IN HANDY!

SEE YOU LATER, METAL HEAD!

SMASH!!

YOU GUYS NEVER LEARN YOUR LESSON! NEVER GO BOATING WITHOUT A LIFE JACKET!

THAT WHALEBOT IS TOTALED, SONIC

YEAH, WHAT A WAY TO END A WHALE TALE!





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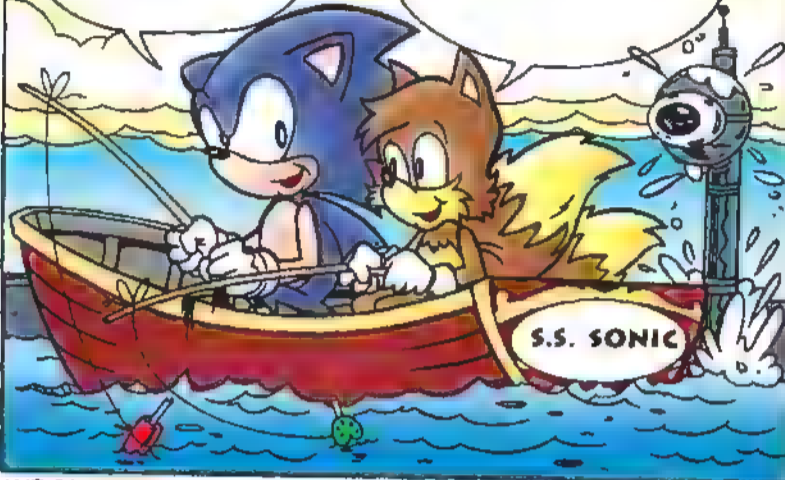
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THE MOUTH OF TERROR!

I'M GLAD YOU COULD COME FISHING WITH ME, TAILS

ME TOO, SONIC

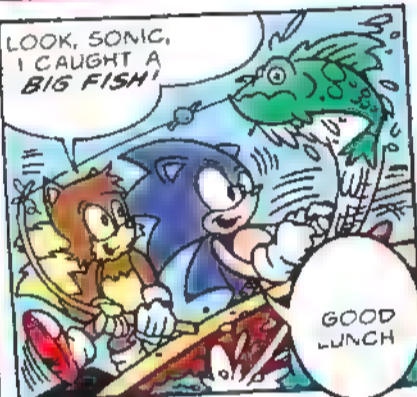


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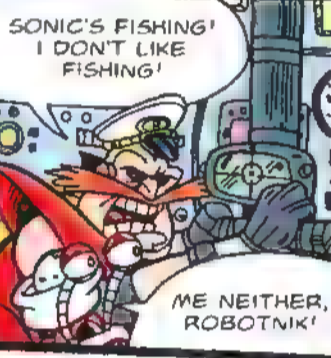
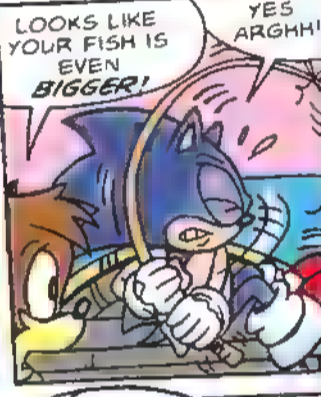
LOOK, SONIC, I CAUGHT A BIG FISH!

LOOKS LIKE YOUR FISH IS EVEN BIGGER!

YES ARGHH!

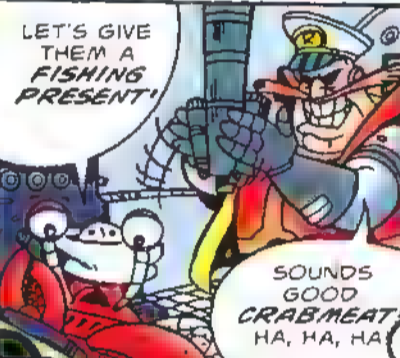


GOOD LUNCH



SONIC'S FISHING! I DON'T LIKE FISHING!

ME NEITHER, ROBOTNIK!

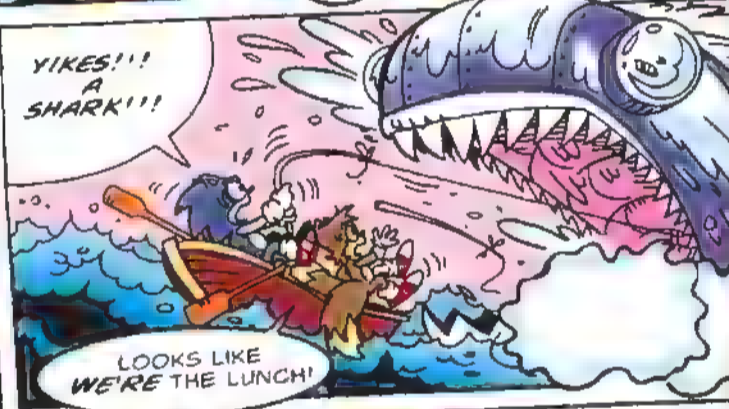


LET'S GIVE THEM A FISHING PRESENT!

SOUNDS GOOD CRABMEAT! HA, HA, HA!

YIKES!!! A SHARK!!!

LOOKS LIKE WE'RE THE LUNCH!

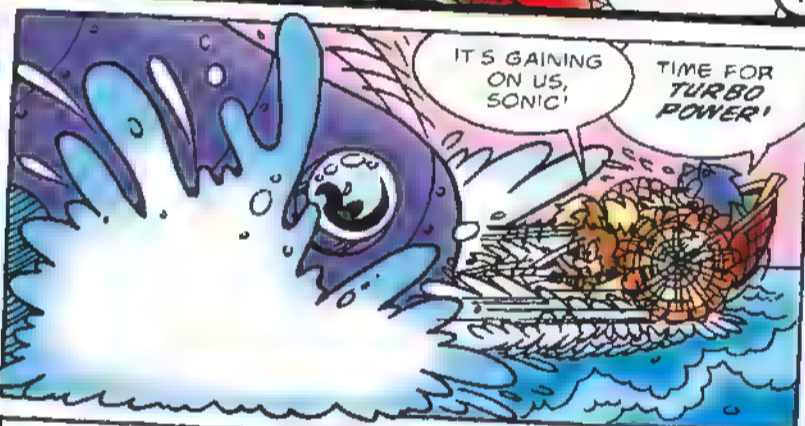
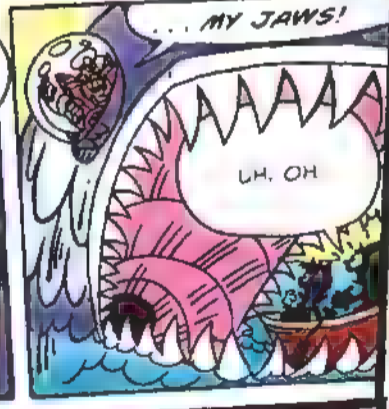
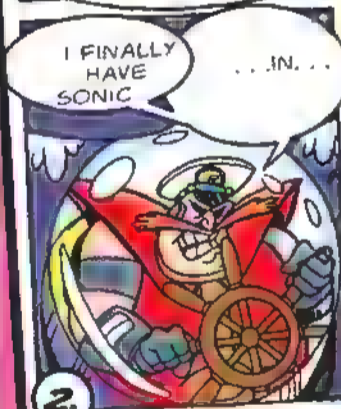


I FINALLY HAVE SONIC

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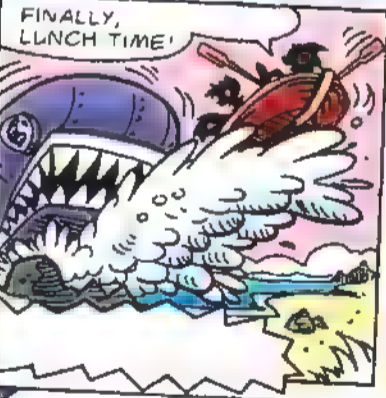
... MY JAWS!

UH, OH



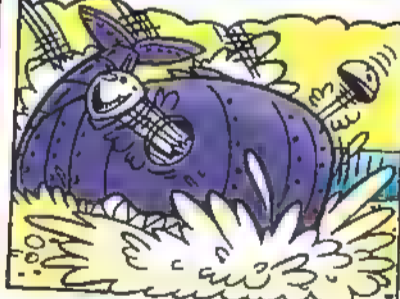
IT'S GAINING ON US, SONIC!

TIME FOR TURBO POWER!



FINALLY, LUNCH TIME!

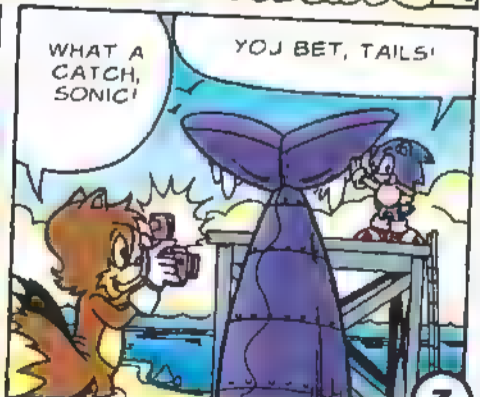
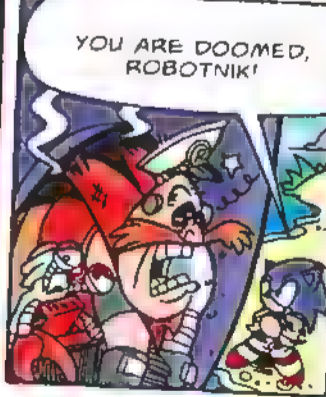
CLANG! BANG! RATTLE! DOING!



YOU ARE DOOMED, ROBOTNIK!

WHAT A CATCH, SONIC!

YOU BET, TAILS!



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3RD PLACE:

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SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

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SONIC'S SURPRISE

AT LAST! WE FINALLY CAN HAVE A LITTLE VACATION.

YAY! AND THE BEST PART IS THAT ROBOTNIK ISN'T AROUND!



BY SONIC & TAILS

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WRONG! YOU LITTLE TWO-TAILED TWIT. SONIC IS RIGHT ABOVE US!



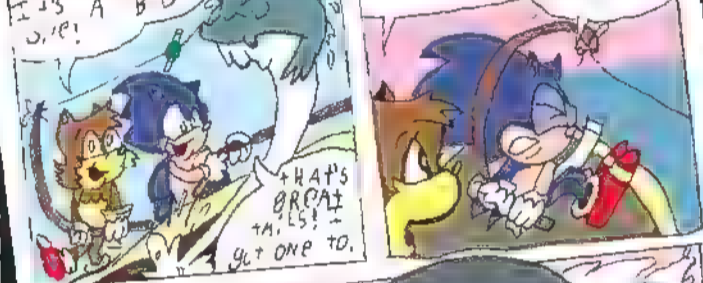
ARE WE GOING TO CAPTURE THEM AS ALL WAYS?

WOULD I BE A POWER HUNGRY MAD TYRANT IF I DIDN'T?

1.

LOOK AT THIS! IT'S A BIG ONE!

WHAT'S THE MATTER, SONIC? HE'S A STUBBORN THE FISH!



THAT'S BRAGGARTS! I GET ONE TO.

EEEE! IT'S A GIANT WHALE!

LOOKS LIKE WE'RE FISH FOOD!

ROAR

THAT'S RIGHT SONIC AND MY WHALE'S VERY HUNGRY!

I KNOW WHAT TO FEED HIM!



OH, NO! LOOKS LIKE WE'RE GOING TO TAKE PINOCCHIOS PLACE!

* KENTUCKY FRIED SONIC.

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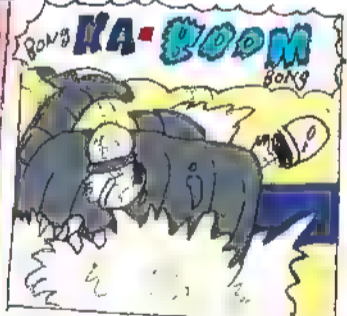
FULL SPEED AHEAD!

I'M ROWING AS FAST AS I CAN!

SPLASH



RROOARR!



BOMB KA-BOOM BOMB

WELL, IF IT ISN'T MOTOR MOUTH! YOU LOSE AGAIN! 10-W-40 BREATH!

SMILE FOR THE CAMERA, SONIC! Hey tails, Let's enter that fishing contest. Maybe we just might win!



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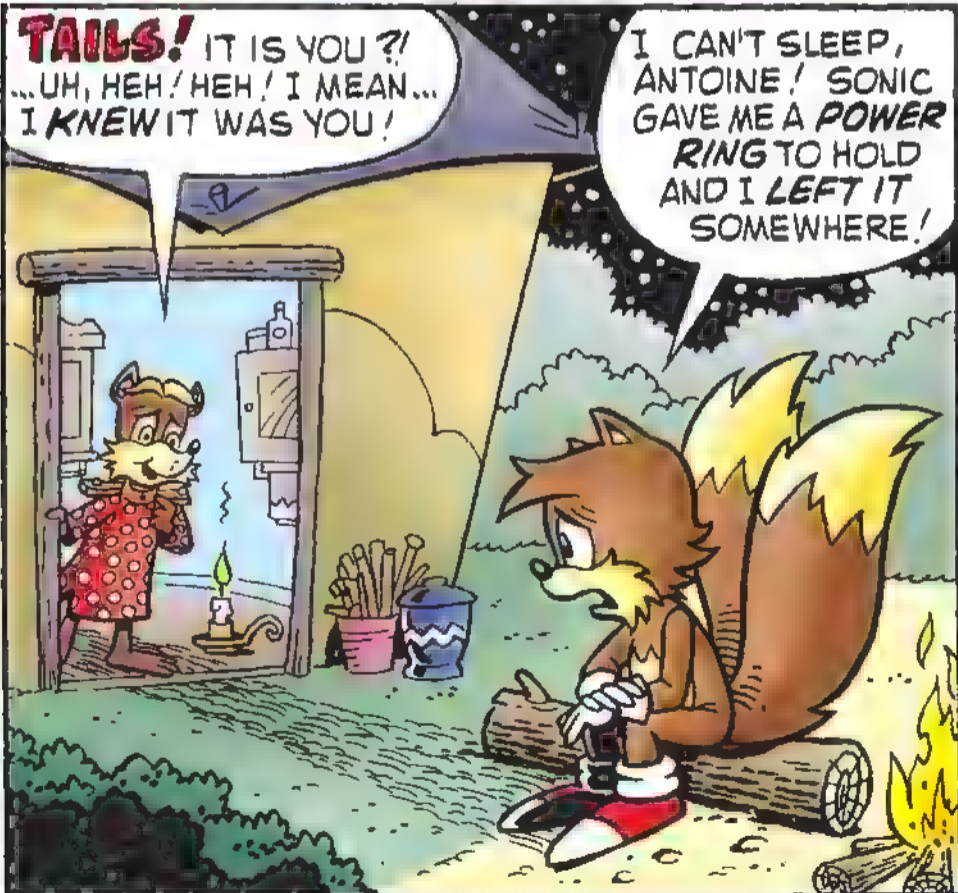


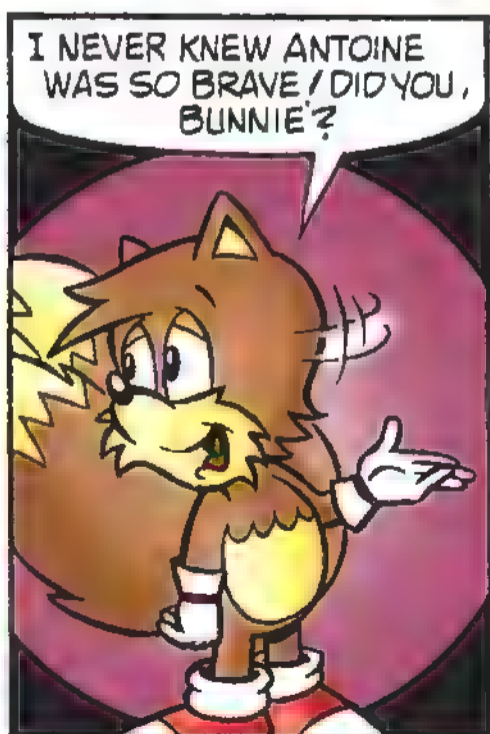
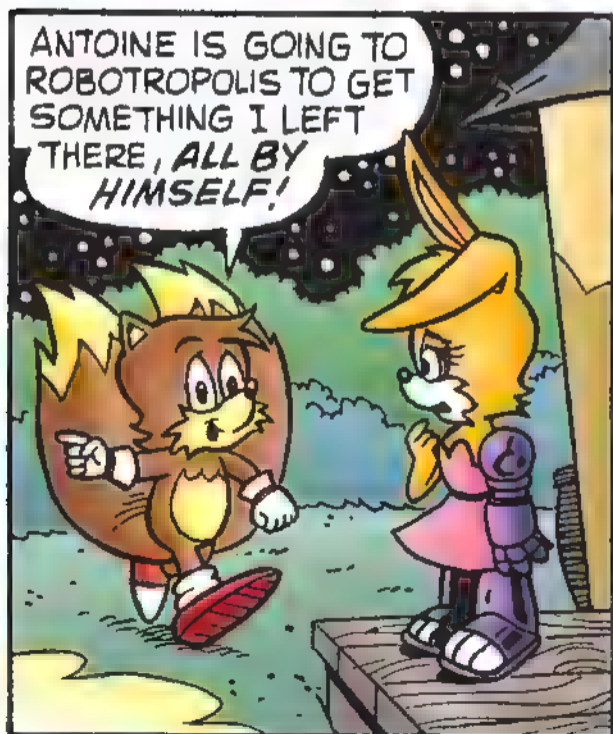
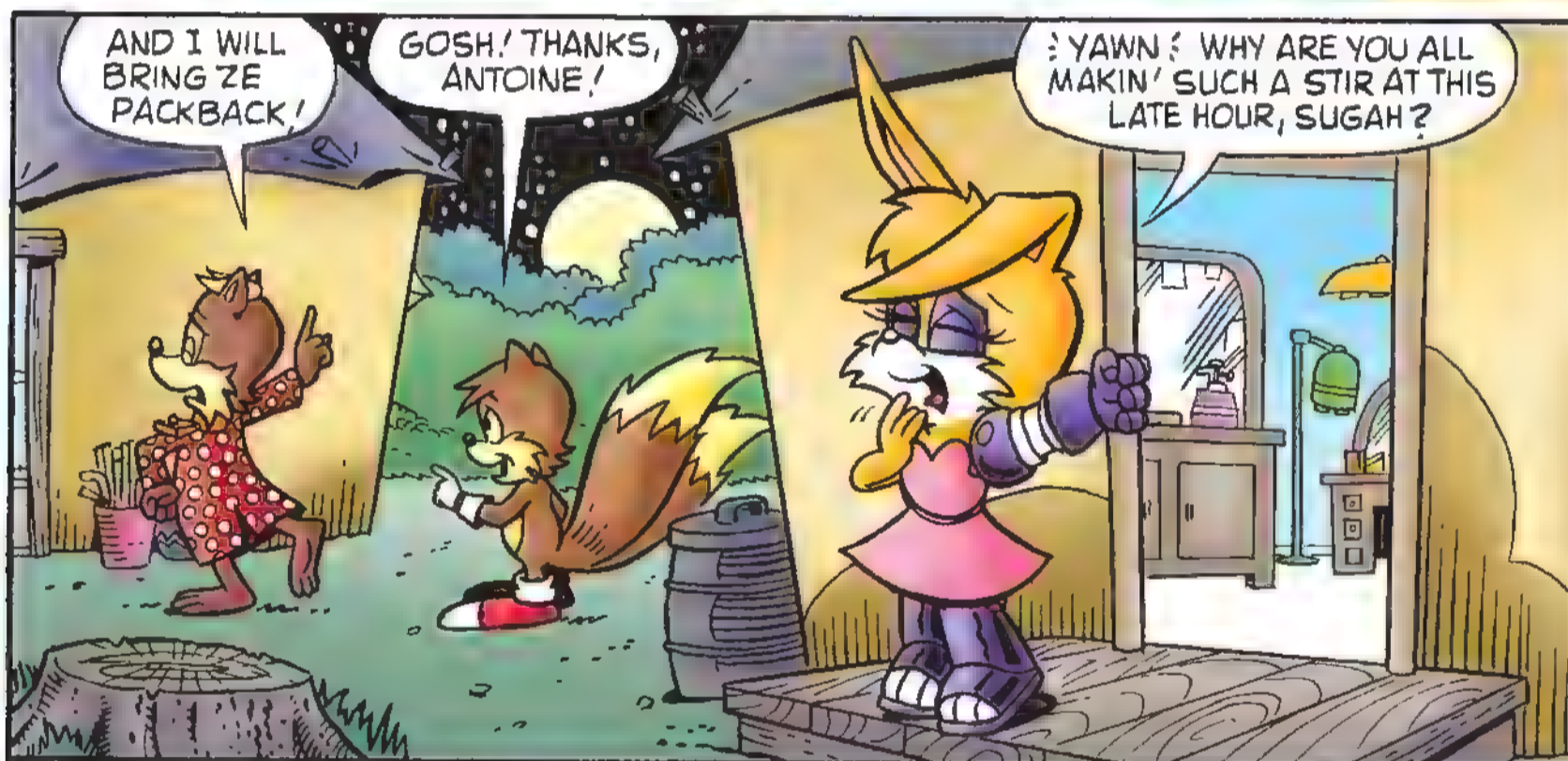
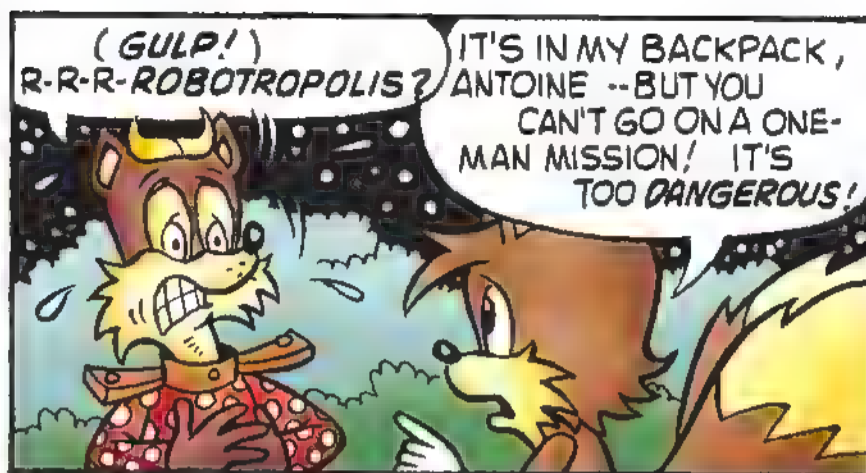
SONIC'S in "THE VOL-ANT-TEER!"

PAL ANTOINE



SCRIPT: ANGELO DECESARE PENCILS: DAVE MANAK INKS: JON D'AGOSTINO LETTERS: BILL YOSHIDA





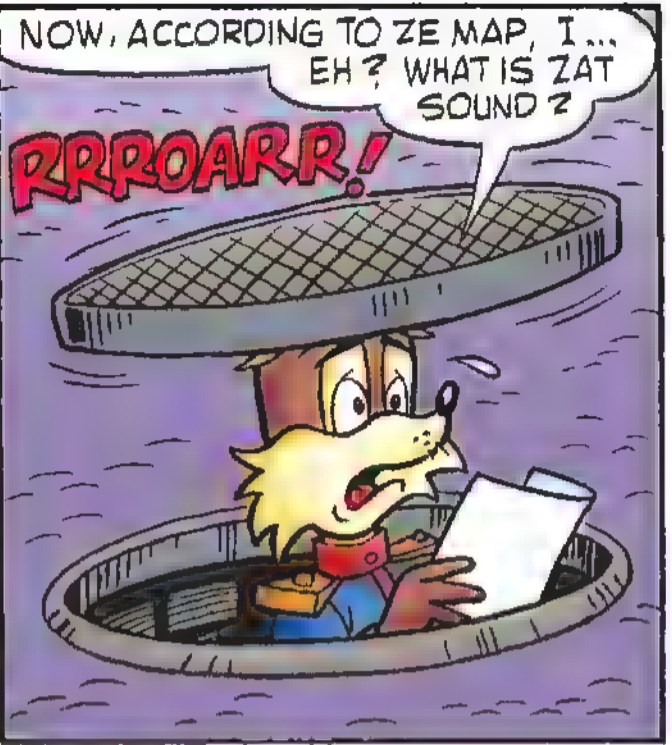
A ROBOTROPOLIS STREET,
AFTER MIDNIGHT...



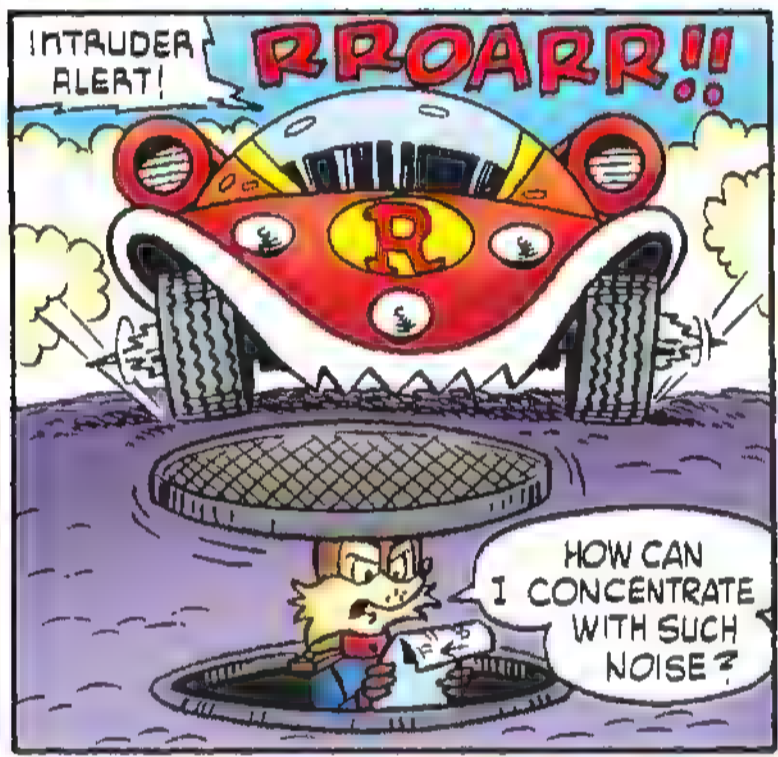
WELL, SO
FAR I AM
SO GOOD!

...BE ZE
DARKNESS IS
MUCH TOO
MUCH!

NOW, ACCORDING TO ZE MAP, I...
EH? WHAT IS ZAT
SOUND?



INTRUDER
ALERT!
RRROARR!!

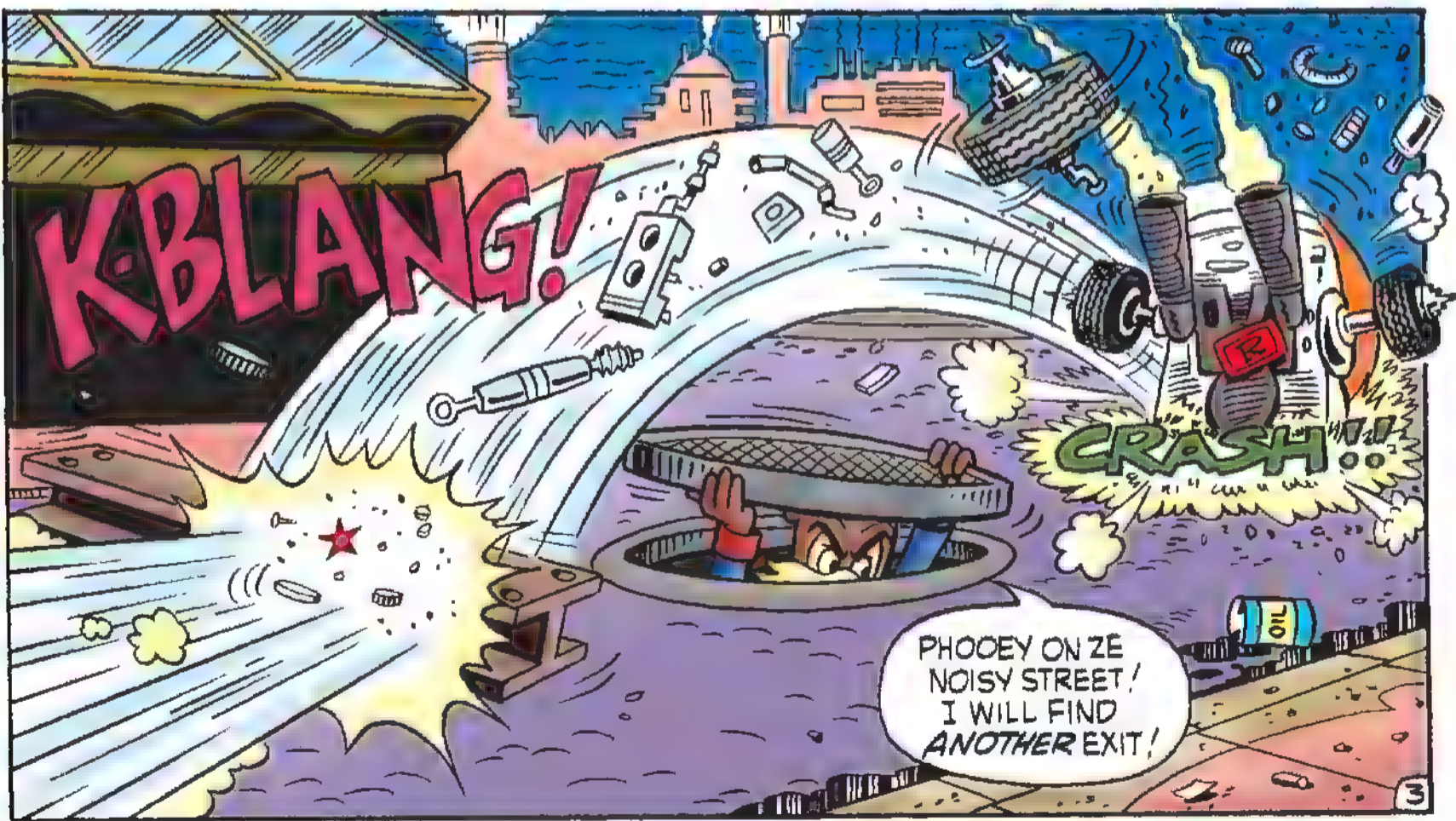


HOW CAN
I CONCENTRATE
WITH SUCH
NOISE?

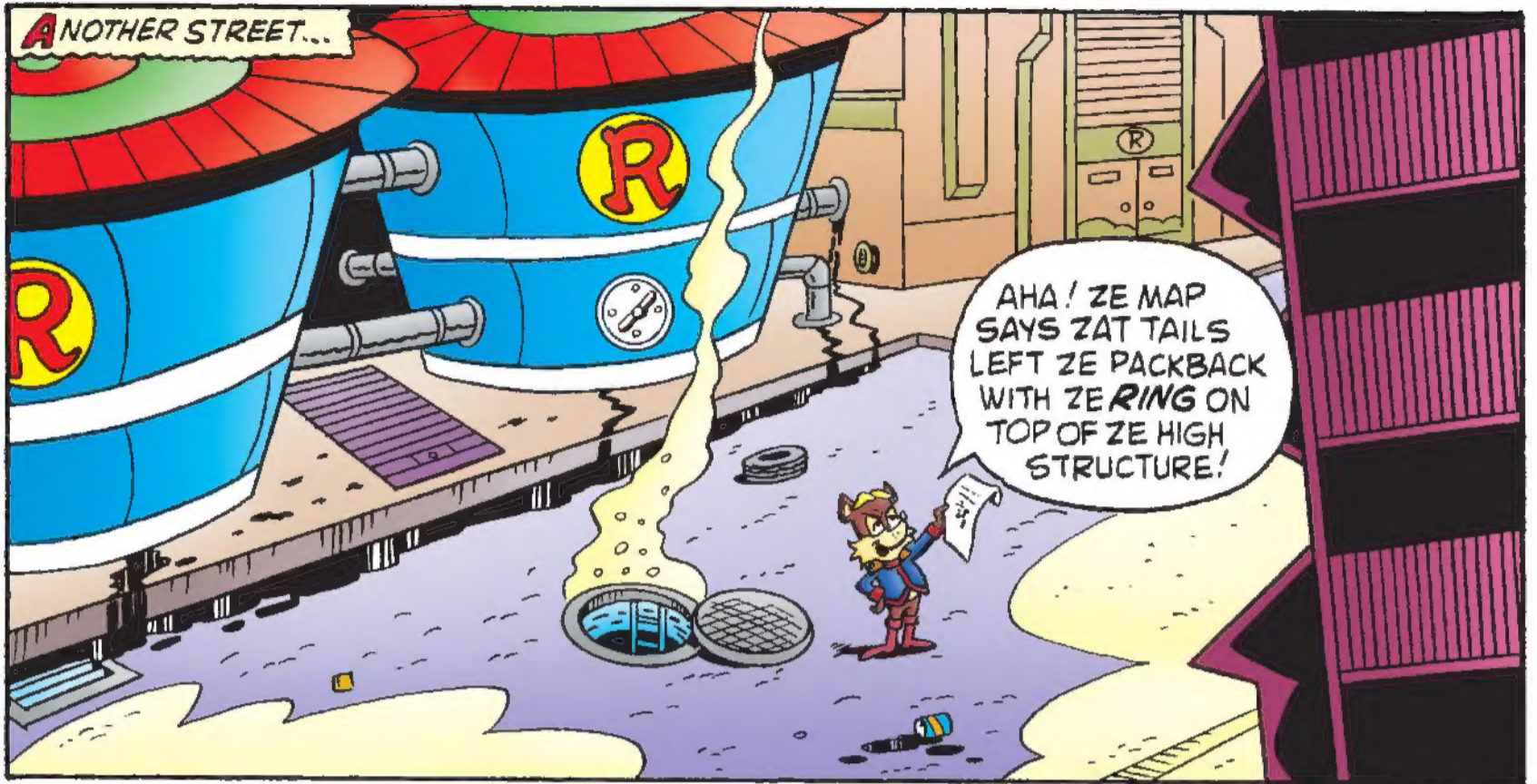
CLANG!



OOCH /
MY EARS!

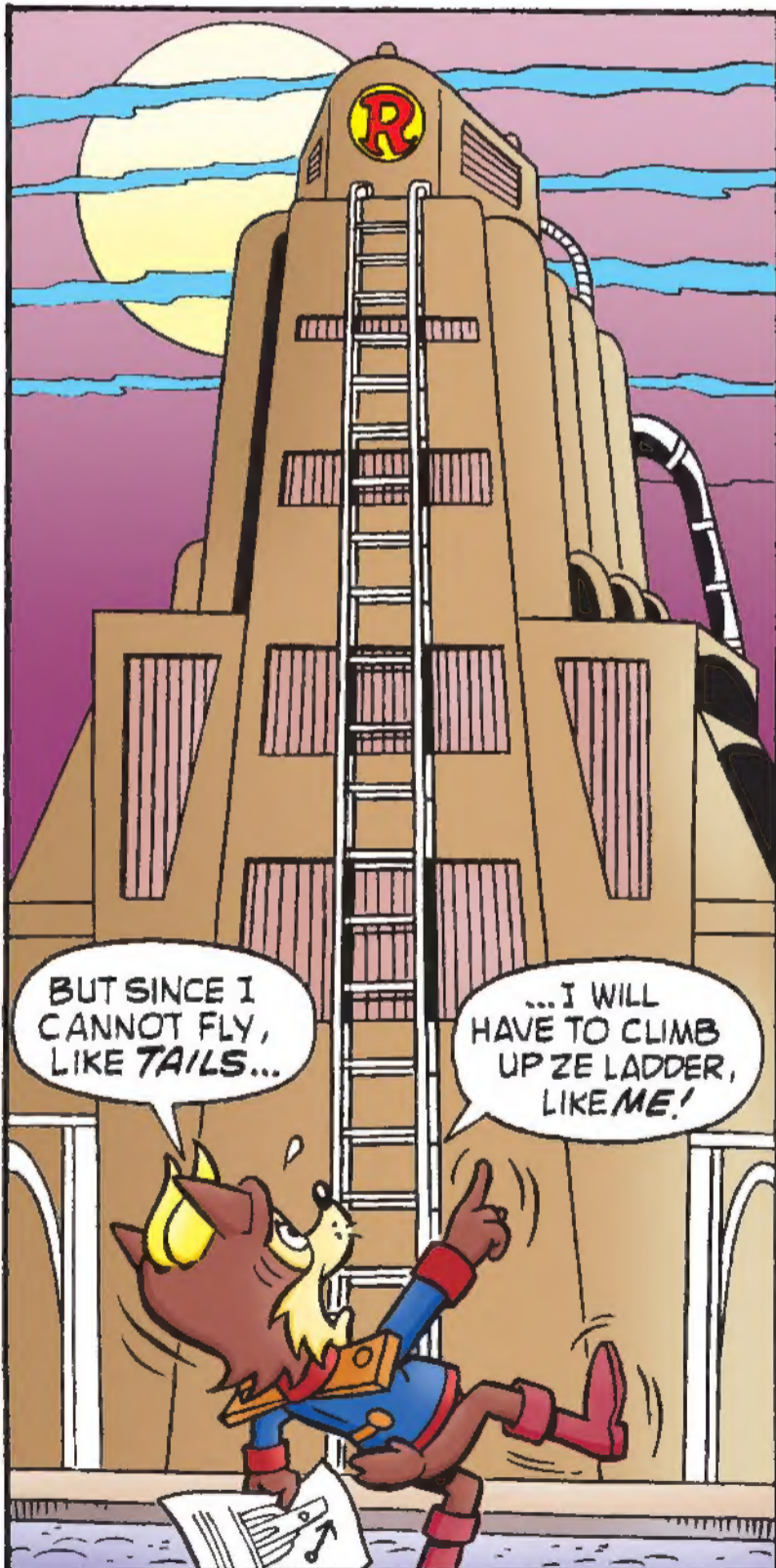


PHOOEY ON ZE
NOISY STREET!
I WILL FIND
ANOTHER EXIT!



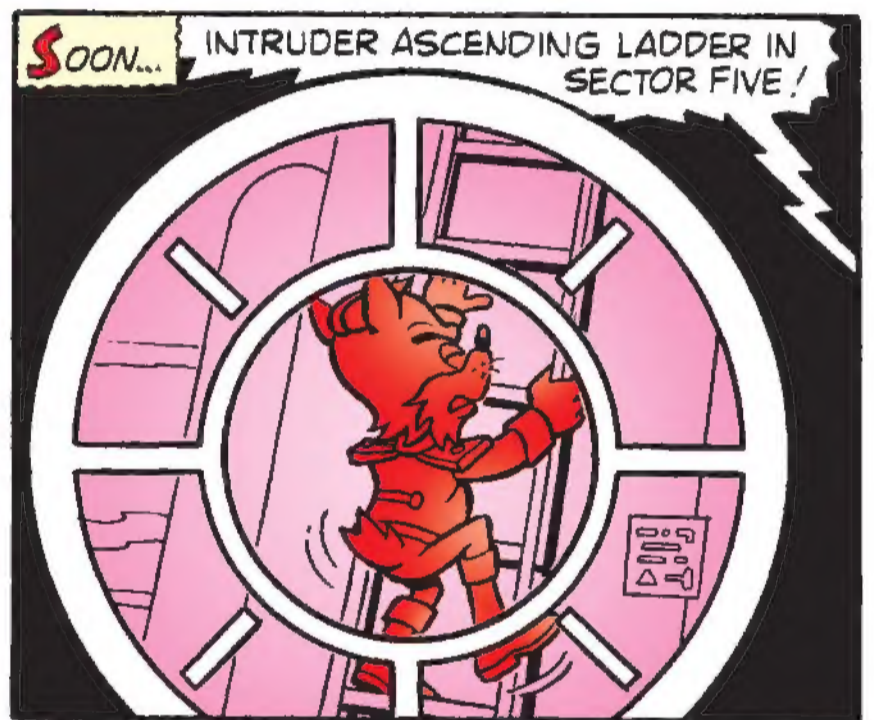
ANOTHER STREET...

AHA! ZE MAP SAYS ZAT TAILS LEFT ZE PACKBACK WITH ZE RING ON TOP OF ZE HIGH STRUCTURE!



BUT SINCE I CANNOT FLY, LIKE TAILS...

... I WILL HAVE TO CLIMB UP ZE LADDER, LIKE ME!



SOON... INTRUDER ASCENDING LADDER IN SECTOR FIVE!

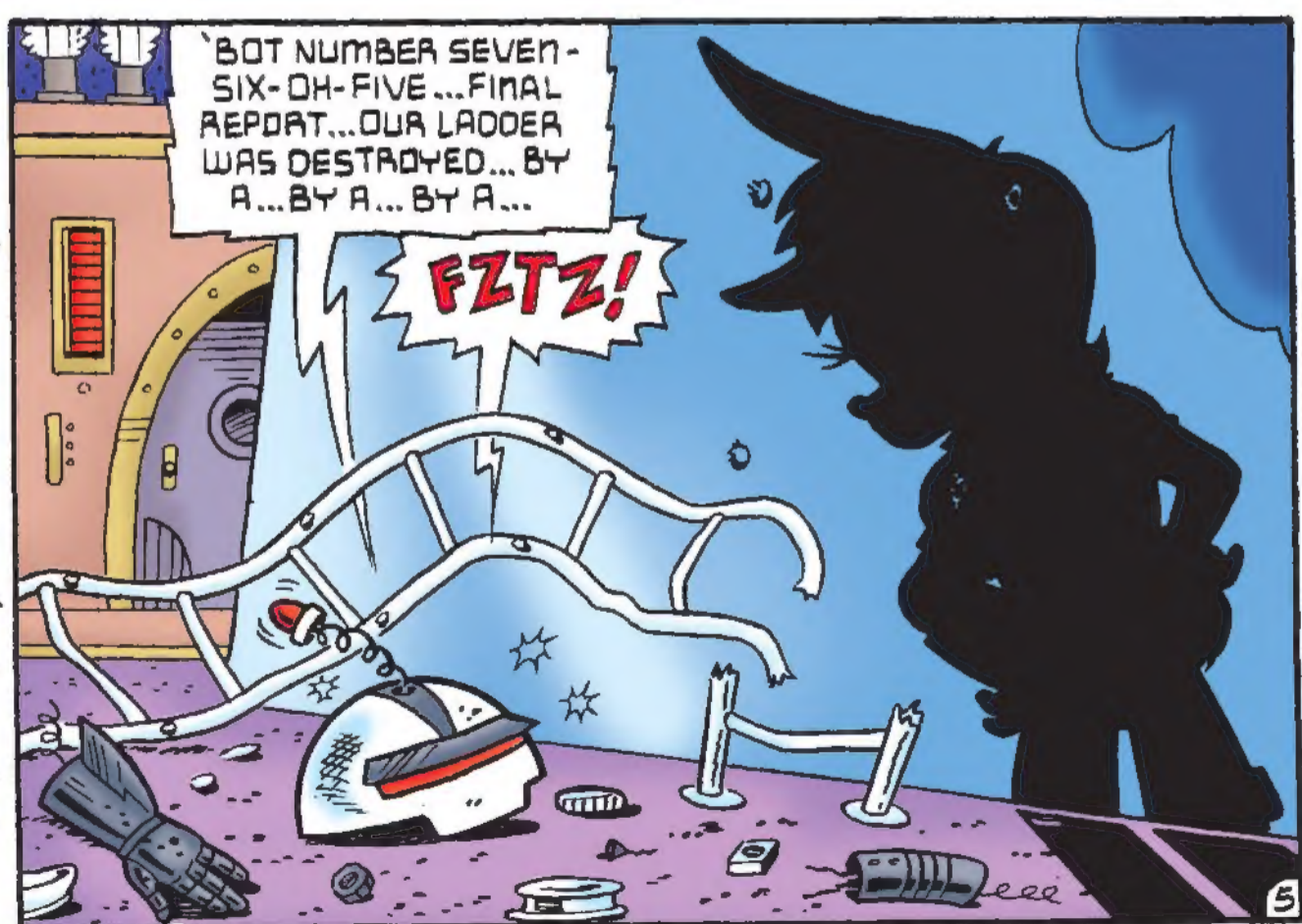
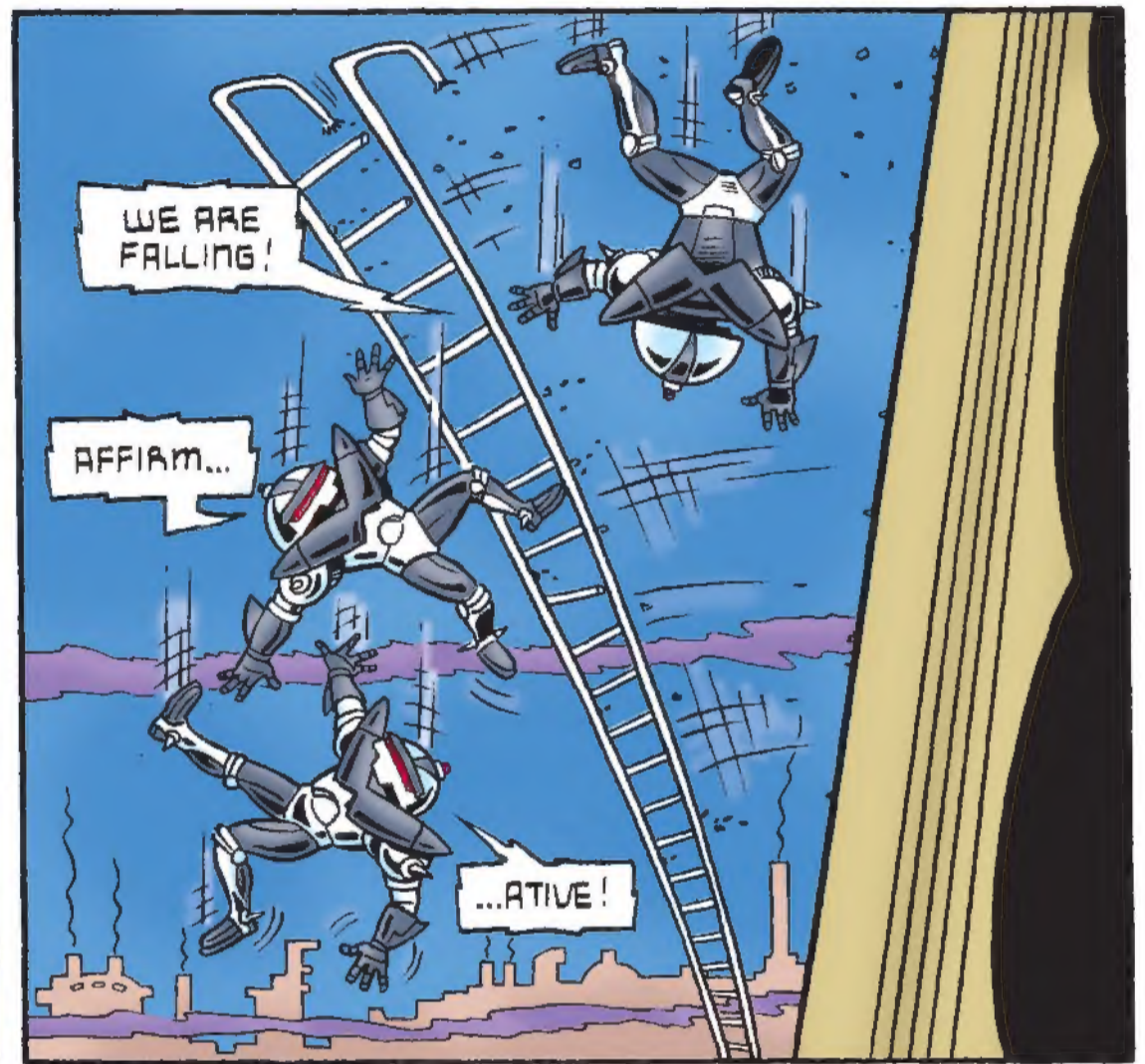
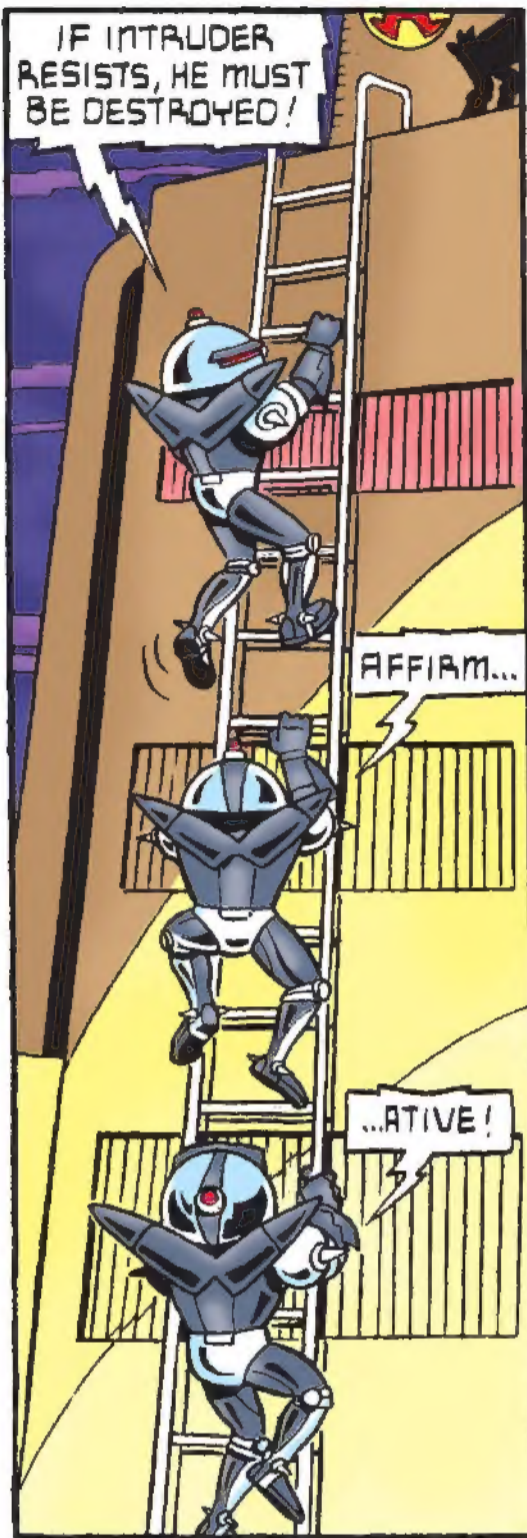


WHEW! I HAVE MADE IT! NOW I CAN OPEN ZE EYES AND... THERE IS ZE PACKBACK!

WE MUST CAPTURE THE INTRUDER AND HAND HIM OVER TO ROBOTNIK FOR ROBOTICIZATION!

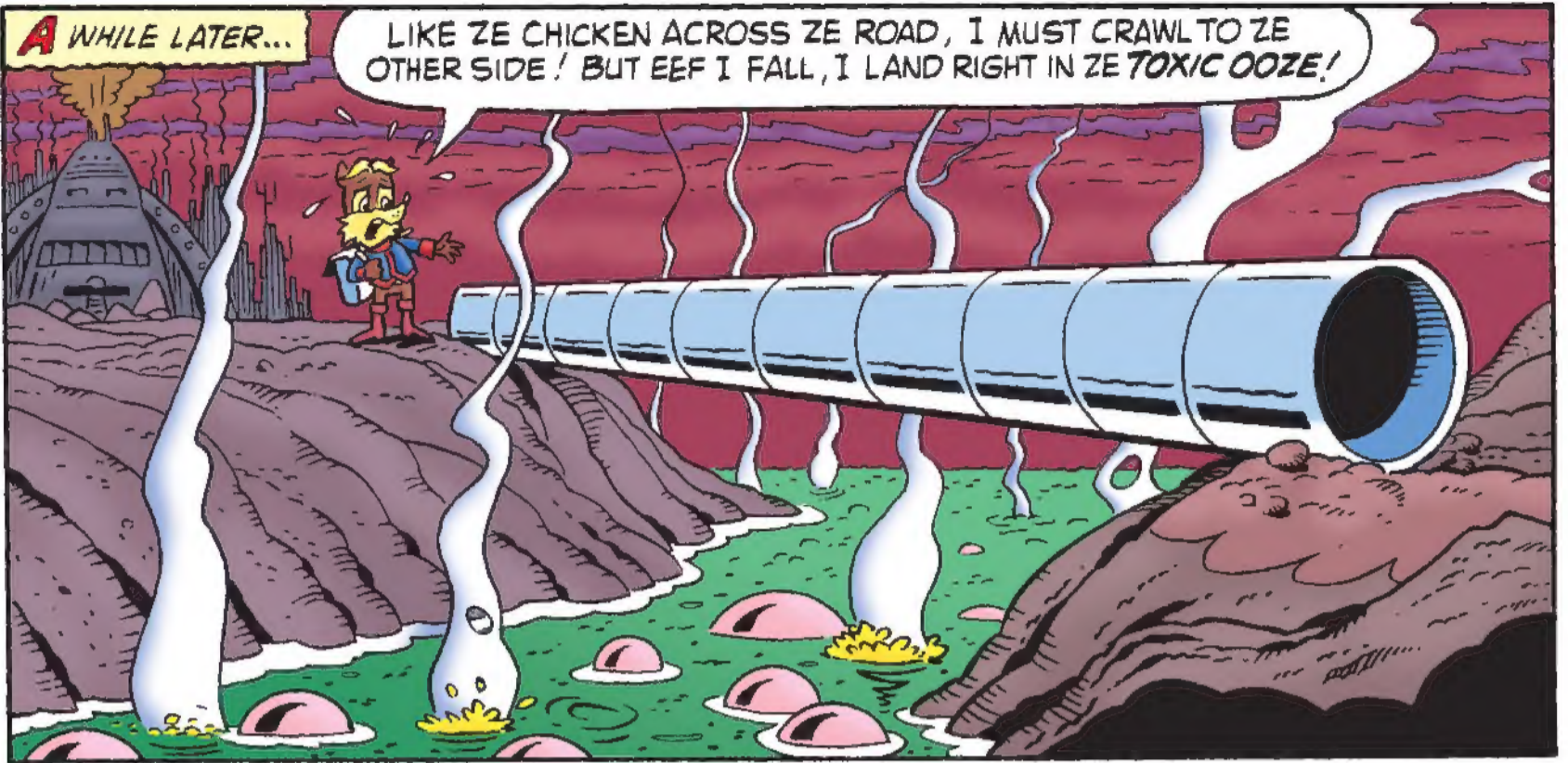
AFFIRM...

...ATIVE



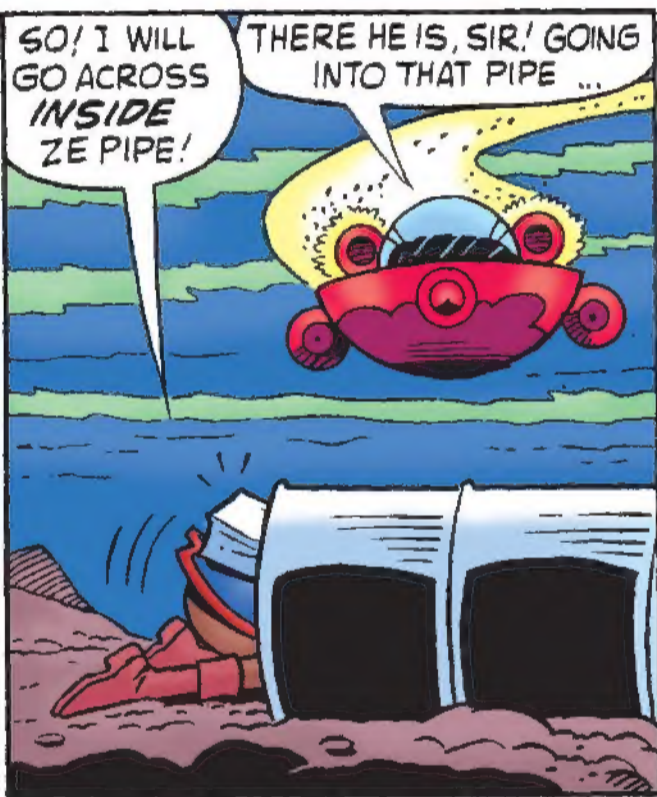
A WHILE LATER...

LIKE ZE CHICKEN ACROSS ZE ROAD, I MUST CRAWL TO ZE OTHER SIDE! BUT EEF I FALL, I LAND RIGHT IN ZE TOXIC OOZE!



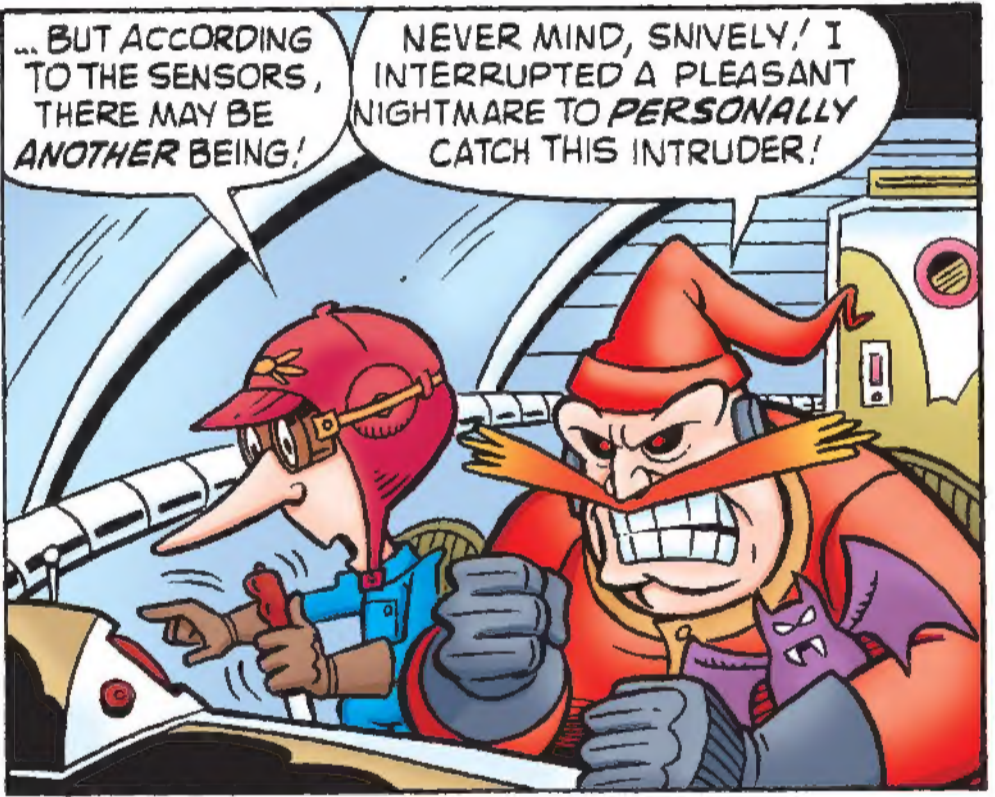
SO! I WILL GO ACROSS *INSIDE* ZE PIPE!

THERE HE IS, SIR! GOING INTO THAT PIPE ...



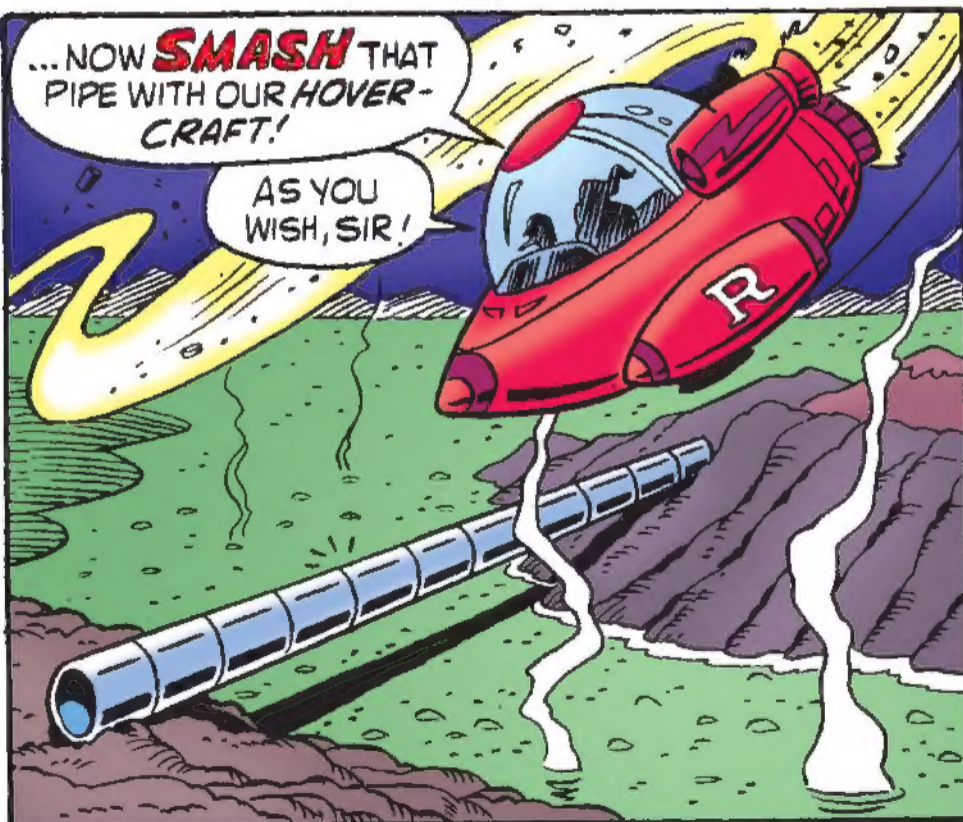
... BUT ACCORDING TO THE SENSORS, THERE MAY BE *ANOTHER BEING!*

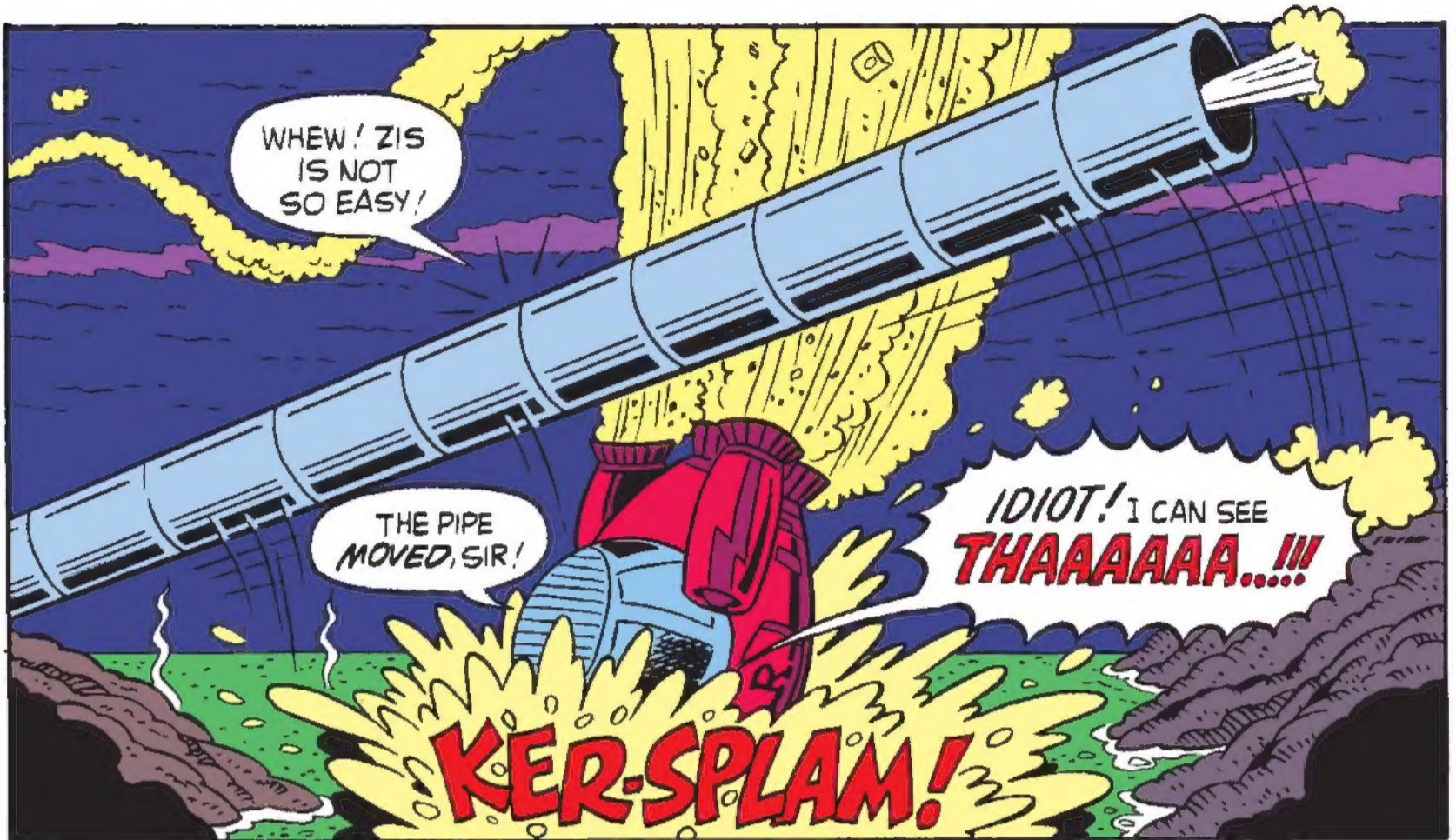
NEVER MIND, SNIVELY! I INTERRUPTED A PLEASANT NIGHTMARE TO *PERSONALLY* CATCH THIS INTRUDER!



... NOW **SMASH** THAT PIPE WITH OUR HOVER-CRAFT!

AS YOU WISH, SIR!



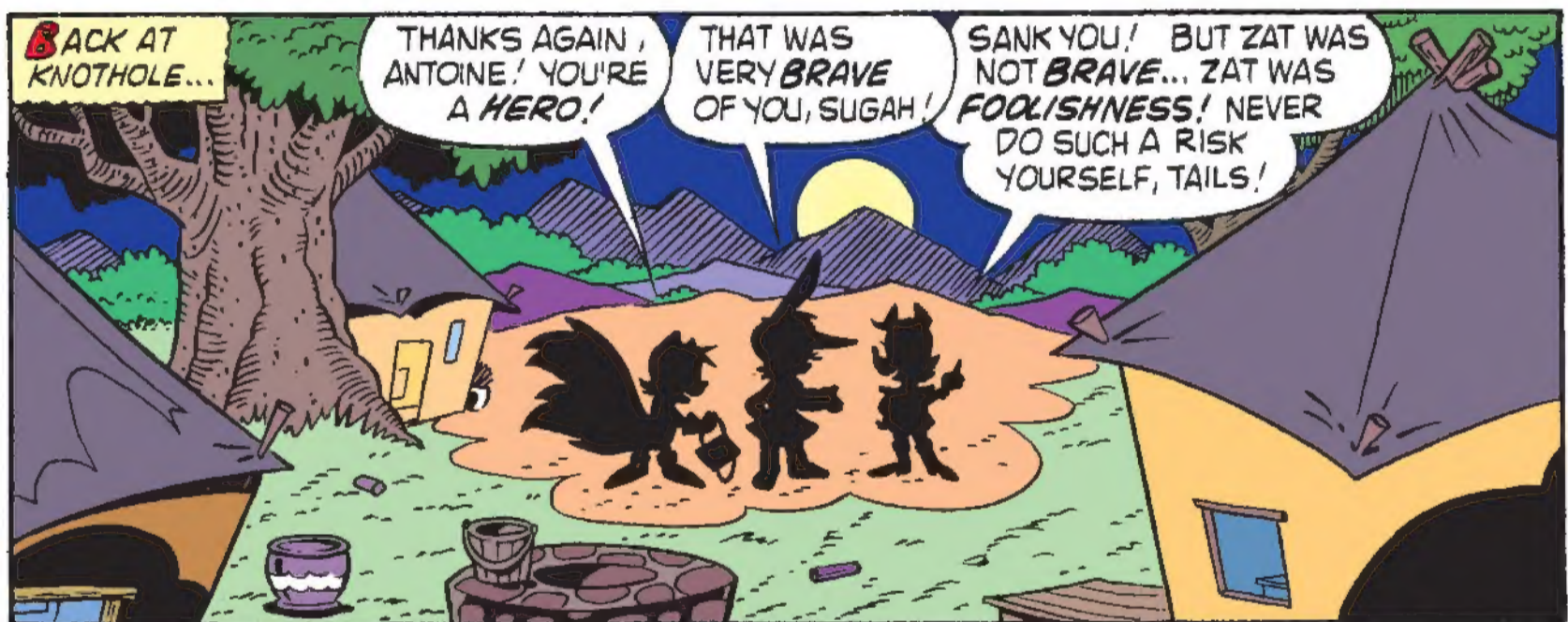


WHEW! ZIS IS NOT SO EASY!

THE PIPE MOVED, SIR!

IDIOT! I CAN SEE THAAAAAA...!!!

KER-SPLAM!



BACK AT KNOTHOLE...

THANKS AGAIN, ANTOINE! YOU'RE A HERO!

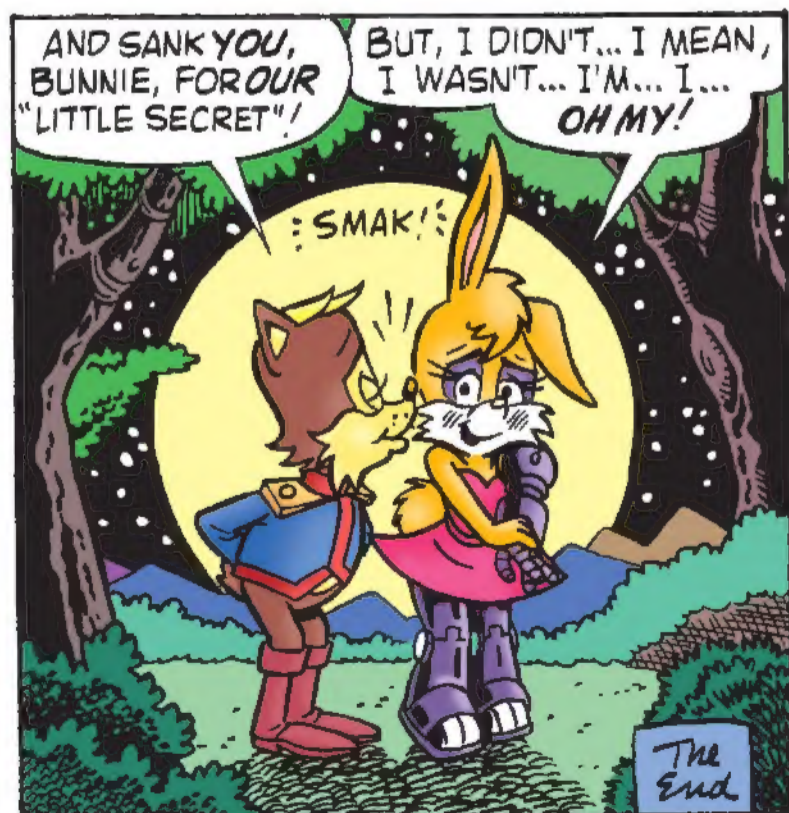
THAT WAS VERY BRAVE OF YOU, SUGAH!

SANK YOU! BUT ZAT WAS NOT BRAVE... ZAT WAS FOOLISHNESS! NEVER DO SUCH A RISK YOURSELF, TAILS!



... AND PLEASE DO NOT MENTION MY FOOLISHNESS TO THE OTHERS!

GOTCHA! IT'LL BE OUR LITTLE SECRET! G'NIGHT!



AND SANK YOU, BUNNIE, FOR OUR "LITTLE SECRET"!

BUT, I DIDN'T... I MEAN, I WASN'T... I'M... I... OH MY!

=: SMAK! =:

The End